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Norwich	7 35	11 0	...
Harwich	6 40	9 25	6 50
Ipswich	7 35	10 17	7 35
		p.m.	
Peterboro'	10 20	1 55	10 5
Rugby arr.	11 37	3 38	12 13
	p.m.		p.m.
Birmingham (New Street)	1 20	4 45	1 43
Liverpool (Lime Street)	2 35	6 30	4 5
Manchester (London Road)	2 30	7 28	4 5
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.
Manchester (London Road) dep.	8 30	2 10	11 45
Liverpool (Lime Street)	7 40	2 0	11 30
Birmingham (New Street)	9 20	4 0	12 50
			p.m.
Rugby	11 0	5 2	2 35
	p.m.		
Peterboro' arr.	12 40	6 25	4 50
Ipswich	3 52	8 51	7 28
Harwich	7 45	9 35	8 23
Norwich	3 50	9 55	2 0
Yarmouth	5 5	...	3 0

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FROM THE DIARY OF INSPECTOR BYRNES.

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CHAPTER III.

THE INSPECTOR'S ROOM.

In the centre of the large building which presents a face of stone to one street, and of brick to another, and which is known as Police Headquarters, there is a certain square room. It is lighted from the interior court round which the edifice is built.

This room is almost luxurious in its appointments. The carpet, of rich but sober hues, is so thick that the foot falls upon it without noise; the chairs are so constructed as to afford the maximum of comfort with the minimum of display; the tables, mounted with green billiard-cloth, are substantial and handsome. In short, neatness and comfort would be its prevailing characteristics were it not for the large glass cases against the walls.

There are three of these cases, each extending from floor to ceiling, and revealing to the incomer a vision of strange and incongruous objects. Here are a number of implements resembling steel crowbars; there an assortment of saws and winches. In another place a bundle of metal knobs is suspended by a curious net-work of cord from a hook; and near it is a cluster of weapons of villainous aspect, comprising everything from a Malayan creese to a sailor's jackknife or a Smith & Wesson revolver.

The collection of fire-arms is particularly rich; there are pistols, revolvers, guns and rifles. There are five-shooters, six-shooters, ten-shooters and twelve-shooters; and there are wicked-looking, stumpy things, resembling the redoubtable "dogs" of our great-grandfathers. Then there are packs of cards, each with a history to it; and curious hoods of black cloth, stretched out on frames, with labels indicating that so-and-so was hanged in this cap on such-and-such a date. Every object in this grisly collection has its label, associating it with one or another memorable crime. For this is New York's criminal museum—the grand exhibition of the arts and manufactures of rascaldom. Here these sinister souvenirs of the enemies of society are preserved as a constant witness that the brand of Cain still darkens the forehead of humanity.

In addition to the implements of outlawry and violence there hung on the walls portraits of the most noted outlaws themselves. There are faces of all kinds, and not all of them, by any means, answer to the popular conception of the criminal physiognomy. For although there are faces which betray evil, brutal, and desperate proclivities, and others that are fierce, sullen, hard or haggard, and still others that are cunning, sly, mean or cruel; yet many of the countenances are bright, intellectual, attractive, even refined. Indeed, if all rogues bore the stamp of their roguery on their features there would be less need than there now is of a Rogues' Gallery. It is wickedness masquerading in the garb of integrity that is really the menace to civilisation.

In this apartment—the private chamber of the New York Detective Bureau—sat, on that forenoon of the thirtieth of December, a well-dressed and powerfully-built man of something less than forty years of age. His face was pleasant and his expression combined in a singular manner the qualities of frankness and impenetrability. He commonly wore an air of seeming abstraction, which, however, disguised a rare faculty of close and accurate observation. Quiet in manner and affable in speech, he might, so far as appearances went, have discharged any of the hundred functions of prosperous business life. In fact, however he filled one of the most important and responsible offices in the gift of the city—that of the chief of the detective force. It was Inspector Byrnes who was sitting at the study-table and busying himself, just then, with a pile of written documents.

"Come in!" he said, in a full, strong voice, in answer to the knock on his door: and forthwith the door opened and the Shambling Man entered.

"Back already?" said the inspector, leaning back in his chair. "Well, and what do you make out of this Twenty-sixth-street affair?"

"A great deal, and nothing at all!" replied the Shambling Man, speaking in a tone so low and deliberate that he seemed to be communing with himself rather than answering a question.

"A great deal, and nothing!" the inspector repeated. "What may that mean? You're not talking in riddles, I hope?"

"When I say a great deal," returned the other, "I mean that this murder appears to be a very extraordinary one. And when I say nothing, I mean that there's little or nothing in the way of a clue to work with."

"Let us have the extraordinary features first."

"One of them is, that the story of Hanier is so commonplace. There's nothing in it to catch hold of. As far as I can find out the man never had an enemy and never was mixed up in anything that wasn't perfectly straight and above-board. For all that appears to the contrary he was murdered without any motive whatever. I could almost believe that he had killed himself."

"Well, what sort of a story is it?"

The Shambling Man sat down and related to the inspector the biography which Mrs. Hanier had just imparted to him. Louis Hanier, it appeared, was born in Picardy, in France, in the year 1842, His birthplace, Vendreuil, was a little village close to the Ardennes where his father cultivated flax. As a boy, Louis received the training proper to his station and grew up handsome, healthy and stalwart. His only sister, Marie, was three or four years younger than himself, and was considered remarkable for beauty and cleverness.

At twenty-one, Louis was a big, black-haired fellow with pleasing manners and a knowledge of the world greater than falls to the lot of most youths reared in so sequestered a section. He had the roving instinct that belongs to healthy young manhood, and had already visited Belgium, and travelled in the north-east of France. In these places he had acquired a competent knowledge of the mysteries of the manufacture of cordials—hitherto an industry confined chiefly to the Low Countries—and in the enormous consumption of liquors in France he saw an opportunity to turn his knowledge to account.

His pecuniary resources, however, were small; and it was with difficulty that he got together money enough to start in business; and two years elapsed before he found himself fairly embarked in the liquor manufacture, at No. 30, Rue Allair-Chartre, in Paris. Meanwhile his sister Marie had developed a wonderful capacity as a singer, and some persons interested in music had befriended her to the extent of securing her the instruction of the best masters in the Paris Conservatoire. Here she studied for four or five years with great diligence, and finally made her debut with generous success. Her future was thenceforth secure; she had accepted an engagement in London, and, as Mrs. Hanier believed, had there been sought in marriage by a gentleman of good family and ample means, and, it was supposed, left the lyric stage, with its arduous glories, for the ease and comfort of English domestic life.

Louis's fortune, though not so brilliant, was still substantial; and, not long after his sister's disappearance, he married the buxom daughter of a Parisian manufacturer, whose *dot* proved of the greatest value in his business. His wife was also in all respects a faithful and able helpmate; and the pair looked forward with confidence to still further bettering their condition and laying up provision for their children. In order to enlarge his connection, Hanier removed to Brussels; and it was from this point that his misfortunes began. A number of small reverses, important only in the aggregate, followed upon one another's heels; and after two years of a losing contest, Hanier, much dispirited, and with most of his money gone, resolved to seek better luck in the United States. After disposing of the remains of his business to the best advantage possible, he embarked at Havre, and a ten days' passage landed him with his family at Castle Garden.

He had now to encounter the usual obstacles of a poor foreigner, unfamiliar with the ways and language of his adoption. There was no doubt a market for liquors in New York, but the manufacturing apparatus was expensive, and he had neither cash nor credit. After many vain attempts to establish himself in trade he was forced to adopt the last resort of seeking such employment in the homes of the wealthy as would enable him to turn some part of his professional knowledge to a profitable use.

He put an advertisement in the paper for the position of butler, appending to it his name and address; and the next day he had an appointment to call at a certain residence just off Fifth-avenue. From this expedition he returned in excellent spirits. He had been engaged—so he told his wife—by a wealthy family by the name of Desmond. The master of the house was a gentleman of Irish extraction, but a naturalised citizen; he had fought in the war, and was connected with some of the prominent political organisations of the city; and was now living on his means. His wife was a French lady, concerning whom Hanier said, with a certain amount of mystery, that she was not entirely a stranger to him, having been concerned in some way with the musical education of his sister. It was she who had seen his advertisement in the paper, and, recognising the name, had sent for him. He was promised liberal wages, and lodgings had been secured for his family in the near neighbourhood of Colonel Desmond's house.

So fortune smiled on the Haniers once more; though far indeed from being as well off as at an earlier period of their career, they were able to keep out of debt and to lay by a moderate sum every year. Louis seemed happy enough in his duties, and was especially devoted to his mistress; and she showed him many favours and kindnesses, and every Christmas gave him a handsome present. Their life was an uneventful one, and there seemed to be no reason why it should not continue indefinitely. Nevertheless, it came to an end, and abruptly, too. Whether Louis was dismissed by his employer, or whether he voluntarily relinquished his position, his wife could not with certainty affirm. She was inclined to believe, however, that he had had words with Colonel Desmond, who was a man of somewhat arbitrary temper, and that they had agreed to part. But the change, whatever its cause, was in some respects an improvement. The money which Louis had saved, together with a sum which Mrs. Desmond gave him on his retirement, enabled him to lease the little old house on Twenty-sixth-street, which he had occupied ever since. Many French families had their abode in the vicinity and accorded their worthy compatriot their custom. He fitted up the shop and stocked it with the wines and liquors that were most marketable among his customers. In the cellar he placed an apparatus for the manufacture of cordials on a small scale. He was industrious and frugal, and in the course of a few years he was doing a good and increasing business. His wife assisted him in his duties and looked after the six children; and they had a couple of respectable French working-men to board with them. The saloon had an excellent reputation. Hanier had always made it a point to discourage the patronage of the lawless and vicious class of the neighbourhood, and he never permitted drunken brawlers on his premises. The police had nothing that was not favourable to report of him and his place. They were never needed in the saloon, except to protect him against the impositions of such mischievous youths of the quarter as considered a Frenchman a proper object of annoyance.

"And that is just the kind of fellows who are most likely, on the face of it, to have committed this murder," remarked the inspector at this point. "They would bear Hanier a grudge for not catering to them, and would plot together to pay him off."

"Still, murders are not often done on grounds so slight as that," the Shambling Man answered.

"They may not have come with the distinct intention to murder him. But when a lot of drunken young ruffians get on a spree, and have weapons in their pockets, murder will sometimes be done before they are aware of it. However, go on with your report."

"There is one circumstance that favours your theory," said the other. "Last evening, about nine o'clock, three young scamps came into the saloon and tried to rob the till. Hanier chased them out. It may have been they who returned later and did for him."

"Can Mrs. Hanier identify?"

"No, she did not see them. But the two French boarders did; and their description of them has been sent out. Something may come of that."

"Has any other theory occurred to you?"

"No, I can't say there has. But while I was standing outside the house, watching the crowd for points, I saw a man and woman—or they may have been a lady and gentleman—stop on the sidewalk opposite and look at the house as if they had some special interest in it. The woman, particularly, seemed worked up about something. But they walked off before I could get near enough to hear anything; and there wasn't enough in it to justify me in following them."

"What sort of a man and woman?" demanded the inspector.

"They were too much muffled up for me to see much of them; but he was a tall, straight fellow, with a greyish beard and thick eyebrows; and she was about twenty years younger, with fair complexion, and rather good-looking. I guess I should know them again."

The inspector seemed to reflect for a moment, taking his chin between his thumb and forefinger and gazing at the inkstand on the table. At length he roused himself and said, "What traces did you find in the saloon?"

"Hardly a thing that you could put your finger on. The door was burst in—the lock and bolt-sockets torn away, which is not the style of ordinary burglars. The money-drawer is empty as a matter of course. But the puzzling thing is the way in which everything is smashed and tossed about. You would think a gang from the Bloomingdale Insane Asylum had been in there; or a batch of apes from the Zoological Gardens. There is no sense nor method in it. They had no need to search for the money; there it was in the till under their noses. They either did it for the mere fun of doing it or to pay off some grudge on Hanier. But now comes the queerest point of all: Why should they have wrecked his shop to spite him if they meant to murder him afterward? It's like shaving off a man's beard before cutting off his head. And the murder was no accident. There was nothing to prevent their getting clear off; but instead of that, they as good as called him out and shot him. The pieces of the puzzle don't fit together. The men who would rob the till wouldn't wreck the shop; the men who would wreck the shop wouldn't murder the proprietor. As I see the affair, there was either no motive in it at all, which is hardly possible, or there was a very much deeper motive than there is anything on the surface to show."

"For example?" said the inspector, as the other paused.

"Well, there might be some person or persons who are in a higher position than the ordinary, and who had some reason for wishing to get Hanier out of the way. The man belonged to two or three French societies in town; and though there is nothing shady about any of those that were mentioned to me, still it is possible that there may have been something of that sort in the background. In that case he may have made himself obnoxious to the chiefs of the association, and they ordered his removal. In order to divert suspicion they would go about the business in some unlikely and fantastic way—and there you have something that begins to look like an explanation."

"I see. And do you suppose Mrs. Hanier to have been aware of her husband's socialistic tendencies?"

"I am as good as certain that—supposing the fact to be as I have suggested—Hanier never told her a word about it."

"But you think that the gentleman and lady you spoke of may have some bearing on the affair?"

"I don't say so; but in a case like this, nothing ought to be neglected."

"Very true. Still, we must beware of being too imaginative. In our business there is nothing more useful than hard facts and common sense. As for motive, nothing is more common than for people to act upon the impulse of the moment, without either premeditation or reflection. We can easily be misled by assuming that everybody acts logically. But before going into that, tell me what you found in the wine-shop?"

"I found nothing at all that had not been there before. The only traces to go upon are what the fellows took away, and what they did with what was left."

"Give me an account of everything you saw."

The Shambling Man began at the beginning. He described the surroundings of the house, the house itself, inside and out, and the scene of the murder, most minutely. He rehearsed all the gossip he had picked up, and recalled not merely palpable facts obvious to everyone, but petty details, trifling in themselves, but possibly significant when compared with others. Evidently this man was no novice in his profession. Nothing seemed to have escaped him. When he had finished, the inspector nodded his approval.

"You have been careful," said he; "but from what you have told us, I see no reason at present to throw aside the theory that it was all the work of a gang of blundering and malicious youngsters who went on from one thing to another until they ended in bloodshed. You say the alarm is out after those three fellows who were in earlier in the evening?"

"Yes; but in my opinion there were four in this affair."

"Why do you think that?"

"Because they had apparently had time to drink while ransacking the place. When Hanier closed up for the night, of course he must have put all the glasses away—he was a very neat and orderly man—but I found four glasses on the counter with dregs of brandy in them."

"Well, say there were four. The first three might easily have a companion, and their drinking at such a time indicates that brandy may have been mainly responsible for the whole business."

The Shambling Man looked doubtful. The element of mystery in the case attracted him, and he was reluctant to give it up. "There may have been only one man after all," he suggested. "Only one was seen, and only a shadow of him. And he might have arranged the four glasses just to put the police off the scent."

The inspector smiled beneath his moustache. "Louis Hanier was a Frenchman," he remarked, "but we're not in France, for all that—nor even in a French novel. You are quite right to keep your mind open, but it is never safe to neglect an obvious deduction until it has been proved wrong. When the commonplace explanation fails, then is the time to consider the abstruse ones. And there is nothing as yet to negative the commonplace view. These fellows have been on the spree all the evening. They have spent all their money, and must have more. The idea comes to them to rob the Frenchman who turned them out a few hours ago. They have no tools, but they burst in by main force. They get the money, and then they will have a drink. The brandy stirs them up, and then it is, which is the biggest dare-devil of the gang! They begin smashing and destroying. All of a sudden there is a noise overhead—the Frenchman is coming! Their line of retreat is safe; but shall they turn tail to a stupid foreigner? The brandy is in them and the wit is out: they'll give him a pill to swallow before they go. And they do it. Respectable man as Louis Hanier was, it may after all have been his own liquor that killed him."

The Shambling Man was too well trained not to recognise the cogency of this reasoning; and he had little to advance against it, except his unwillingness to give up his favourite mystery. But he made a last effort to hold his position.

"If they were so drunk and reckless as all that," he said, "it is strange that they should have been clever enough to go off without leaving a single trace behind them. If they were blunderers, they blundered in such a way as to completely conceal their tracks."

"Come, come—you exaggerate!" returned the inspector. "There never was a crime committed, that I ever heard of, that left no clue of any kind. The trouble is with the eyes that have not been keen enough to perceive it. I'm not reflecting on you," he added, as the other dropped his glance abashed. "You have done your work well—very well. But you will admit that they must have used something to commit the murder with. They didn't shoot Hanier with water."

"No; but they carried the revolver off with them."

"They carried off the revolver; but they left something else."

The Shambling Man looked up inquiringly. "What was that?" he demanded.

"The bullet!"

"The bullet? Yes, but——"

"Well, where is it?"

"Why, in Hanier's body, I suppose."

"Very well. The first thing to do is to get that bullet."

"And you think——"

"I think that bullet must show us the way to the pistol."

The Shambling Man opened his mouth to reply; but at this juncture a knock on the door interrupted him. An officer came in with a telegram, which he laid on the table.

The inspector broke open the envelope, unfolded the telegram, and read it. As he did so, he raised his eyebrows slightly, and emitted a soft whistle.

"Quick work!" he said: "they think they have got them already."

He handed the telegram to the Shambling Man, who grasped it eagerly. It read as follows:

"John H. Brady, age 23, birthplace, United States; James Doyle, age 30, birthplace, United States; and Michael Coogan, age 23, birthplace, United States, have been arrested suspected of Hanier murder. John H. Brady has been identified."

"And you were right after all!" said the Shambling Man, with a sigh.

"It looks like it, certainly," returned the inspector, smiling; "and in that case, what promised to be a very awkward business will have been very easily and satisfactorily settled. Still, we mustn't be too confident. Such prompt success is unusual; and it may turn out that there has been some mistake."

The Shambling Man was about to exclaim "I hope so!" But he checked himself in time. "I suppose I may as well take a look around?" he said: and as the inspector nodded assent, he took his hat and shambled out.

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MARRIAGES.

Baker—Hearn.—27th August, at the Registry Office, Ipswich, George Baker, of Halesworth, to Agnes, widow of the late Edward Hearn, of 33, Hervey Street, Ipswich.

Bugg—Hullis.—18th August, at the Registry Office, William Bugg, widower, to Sarah Ann, widow of the late William Hullis, both of Ipswich.

Grimsby—Allen.—3rd September, at the parish church, Hadleigh, by the Very Rev. E. Spooner, rector, Henry John Godfrey, younger son of Mr. Henry Grimsby, to Florence Clarissa (Flo), third daughter of Mr. John Allen, all of Hadleigh.

Haslewood—Rope.—4th September, at St. Matthew's Church, Ipswich, by the Rev. A. H. Hayes, curate, the Rev. Francis Haslewood, F.S.A., rector of St. Matthew's, Ipswich, to Mrs. Ellen Rope, of Tregaron House, Christchurch Street, Ipswich.

Jarvis—Smith.—3rd September, at the parish church, Richmond, Surrey, by the Rev. Canon Procter, John Henry, second son of Mr. W. S. Jarvis, ex-station-master of Eye, to Winifred Rachel, daughter of Mr. William Smith, of Debenham.

Minns—Christie.—1st September, at St. Michael's Church, by the Rev. W. J. Garroull, vicar, Frank Reginald Minns, of Southsea, Hants, to Eleanor (Nellie) Daniels Christie, eldest daughter of W. D. Christie, and granddaughter of the late John Christie, Esq., Ipswich.

Nunn—Boardman.—29th August, at Norwich, Herbert Kemball, eldest son of Selim Nunn, Elm Tree Farm, Old Newton, to Frances, youngest daughter of the late George Matthews Boardman, of Norwich.

Smith—Skottowe.—30th August, at St. Mary's Church, Henley-on-Thames, by the Rev. C. J. Wynne, rector of Gautby, Lincolnshire, assisted by the Rev. J. F. Maul, rector of the parish, George Smith, of Henley-on-Thames, M.B. and C.M., son of Henry Smith, of Ingleston, Dumfriesshire, and Levington Hall, Suffolk, to Emily, only daughter of the late Rev. Charles Mills Skottowe, rector of Remenham.

Steer—Robinson.—30th August, at St. Mary's, Kensington, John Henry Steer, to Matilda Ann Robinson, eldest daughter of Charles and Emily Robinson, of Otley.

Ward—Markham.—22nd August, at Woodbridge, before the Registrar, David, eldest living son of William Ward, of Brook Cottage, Layham, near Hadleigh, to Emily, eldest daughter of William Markham, of Levington.

Webb—Stevenson.—26th August, at St. Matthew's Church, by the Rev. F. Haslewood, Henry, eldest son of James Webb, to Ellen Kate, youngest daughter of Alfred Stevenson.

Wright—Burt.—5th September, at Barking Church, by the Rev. S. Maude, vicar of Hockley, Essex, assisted by the Rev. L. Staniforth, of Needham Market, George W. Wright, of Stonham Parva, to Florence Sophia, eldest daughter of the late Harry Cottingham Burt and of Mrs. Burt, Needham Market.

DEATHS.

Borham.—4th September, at Langham Mill, Essex, Elizabeth, mother of William Hart Borham, aged 95 years.

Branwhite.—3rd September, suddenly, after two days' illness, of paralysis, John Cross Branwhite, of the Hall Mills, Long Melford, eldest son of Frederick and Julia Branwhite, of Long Melford, aged 34 years.

Elliott.—2nd September, at 32, Risbygate Street, Bury St. Edmund's, Mrs. Elliott, widow of the late Thomas Elliott, of Sudbury, aged 76 years.

Fitch.—3rd September, at Weston Rectory, of African fever, the Rev. E. A. Fitch, C.M.S. Missionary at Rabai, East Africa, son of the Rev. F. Fitch, Cromer, aged 34.

Hemsworth.—2nd September, at Braham House, Ipswich, Duncans, relict of the late Rev. A. B. Hemsworth, rector of Bacton, Suffolk, and daughter of the late Alexander Campbell, Esq., of Kilmartin, county Argyll, in her 74th year.

Odell.—2nd September, at Lavenham, Henry Reginald Odell, the dearly beloved son of the late William Layton and Rebecca Odell, aged 26 years.

Pinkney.—28th August, at Ipswich, John Pinkney, aged 39 years.

Rednall.—29th August, in London, Walter, eldest son of the late Edmund Rednall, of Finningham, aged 53.

Stannard.—5th September, at Chappel Terrace, Halesworth, Hannah, widow of the late David Stannard, of Spexhall, aged 76 years.

Stephens.—26th August, at 39, Castle Street, Farnham, Surrey, James Stephens, Fleet Engineer, R.N. (retired), aged 59 years, the only beloved brother of Mrs. Cadman, 21, Bath Street, Ipswich.

Wainwright.—31st August, at 42, Berners Street, Ipswich, Maria, the beloved wife of Frederick Wainwright, late of Foxhall Hall.

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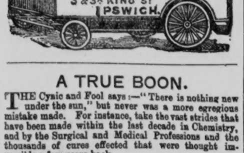

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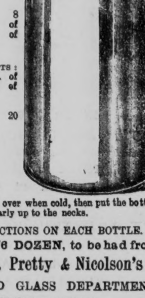

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CRICKET AND CYCLING.

[BY FACTOTUM.]

The cricket season of 1894 draws to a close. All the inter-county matches have been decided, and there will be, at the time these remarks are in print, but few, if any, further first-class games to be decided. The past summer months have been far from favourable to the sport, as match after match was spoiled by the frequently recurring rainstorms. Brockwell may now be considered to have secured to himself the great distinction of champion batsman of the year. He has played 40 innings in first-class cricket, and holds the average of 36·3. These are by no means the best figures which have secured the honour in previous years, but considering the general condition of the wickets through the season, which certainly decidedly favoured the bowlers, it is a splendid achievement for so young a cricketer, who has thus suddenly placed himself in the very front rank of the great batsmen of the world.

It is very strange to go through a whole season without being able to record the doings of one of the most famous knights of the willow in the inter-county struggles of 1894, but illness has deprived Notts of the valuable services of Arthur Shrewsbury. The great Midlander, who achieved the distinction of carrying off the title of champion batsman for three successive seasons (1890-91-92) had, it appears, been suffering during last winter from a severe attack of influenza. He was, however, recovering during the early part of the summer, but unfortunately whilst playing in a practice match with Notts Castle, contracted a cold and suffered a relapse which prevented his playing for the remainder of the season. It is generally hoped, however, that he may next season again take his place in the ranks of Notts.

Ipswich and East Suffolk concluded their list of engagements on Saturday with the postponed match against the 58th Regiment. The gate was poor and the more disappointing as the match had been set aside for the benefit of the Club's professional—Gascoyne. The introduction of the band of the regiment on the occasion was a novelty, and certainly a welcome addition to the attractions of the sport, but even the presence of the musicians failed to draw, and although the weather was delightful but a poor sprinkling of spectators did honour to the occasion.

The sport shewn at the above match was not particularly remarkable, except perhaps for some fine bowling by Brown, of Stowmarket, who took no less than seven of the visitors' wickets for a total of 19 runs. The Regiment scored but 53 runs, and Ipswich and East Suffolk, who were fairly represented, replied with 156 for eight wickets. The captain, the Hon. D. A. Tollemache, gave a nice exhibition of batting for 43, whilst the Rev. L. D Kenyon-Stow hit freely, and carried out his bat for 46, but was rather favoured in the matter of luck. Brown also carried out his bat for a dozen, and was batting well when the innings was declared.

St. Helen's (Ipswich) Y.M.S. eleven did well in defeating the Ipswich Y.M.C.A. team on Saturday. The first-named team are quite a young club, and have nothing like the reputation of the Y.M.C.A. All the scoring was done by the first five batsmen on the St. Helen's side, and it is certainly a somewhat curious circumstance that the latter half of the team were dismissed without a run being scored between them. The failure of the "Christians" is certainly surprising after their recent excellent performances.

The batting averages of the Bury and West Suffolk players show that the premier honours fall to Mr. A. H. Harrison, who has played in seven innings only and scored 272 runs, his best effort being 105, and his average 45·3. E. Pritchett comes next with 24·8, followed by F. Street, J. White, R. J. Burrell Trudgett, and H. W. Claughton. Trudgett, the professional, has also done well in the bowling department, his analysis reading 497·3 overs, 994 runs, 199 maidens, 102 wickets; average 9·7 F. Street has bowled 294·2 overs, and claims the fine average of 6·41.

Our neighbours of Essex concluded an inglorious season last week by a severe defeat at the hands of the champions. The men of Surrey treated the bowling of their opponents with the greatest contempt imaginable, running up a very formidable score, and then twice dismissed Essex in a very short time. The last-mentioned county has certainly fallen upon particularly evil times this season. They have failed to win a single match, and only once did they do anything to justify their inclusion amongst the first-class counties. Their batting averages are low indeed, Mr. H. G. Owen leading the way with 27·1. Mead has been the most succesful bowler, but his average is high (19·1). Mr. C. J. Kortright is next, his figures reading 24·33.

The twenty miles road race of the Ipswich Bicycle Club produced some very keen sport. The limit men, however, had matters much their own way, and D. Chamberlain with 8½ min. start carried off the first prize by beating C. H. Brewster (9 min.), almost on the post. J. B. Westley, of the Ipswich Cruisers, took the prize as the fastest loser. Starting from scratch this rider in spite of a harassing head wind completed the distance in 1hr. 6min. 26secs. A very creditable performance indeed. F. E. Durham's time was the next best, 1hr. 8min. 45secs.

The race finished as under. Keeble and Martin punctured, while Castell, Cooper, and T. Turner gave up:—

	Nett Tme. H.	M.	S.
1st, D. Chamberlain, I.B.C. (8½mins. start)	1	11	27
2nd, C. H. Brewster, I.B.C. (9mins.)	1	11	58
3rd, T. Newson, Y.M.C.A.C.C. (8¾mins.)	1	11	32
4th, F. E. Durham, I.B.C. (3¼mins.)	1	8	45
5th, F. Read, S.B.C.C. (4mins.)	1	9	16
6th, H. E. Durrant, I.C.C.C. (3½mins)	1	8	50
7th, W. Day, I.C.C.C. (3¾mins)	1	8	52
8th, A. F. Garnham, I.B.C. (3¾mins.)	1	8	54
9th, J. B. Westley (fastest loser), I.C.C. (scratch)	1	6	26
10th, Trott, I.C.C.C. (3¼mins.)	1	12	22
11th, Robinson, B.C. (3¼mins.)	1	12	25

The three riders who made the best times in the above race were curiously enough all mounted on Rovers. It has frequently been said that this make of machine is not well adapted for racing purposes, but this fact must certainly be taken as strong testimony to the contrary. Messrs. Kenyon and Trott, the local agents for the firm who manufacture the Rovers, are naturally anxious to disabuse the public mind of the impression alluded to, and the result of the I.B.C. 20 miles race is genuine encouragement for them.

After the Anerley B.C. meeting at Herne Hill on Saturday, three members of the Inflexible C.C. (Messrs. W. Taylor, T. Butler, and B. Clarke) turned out to create records for a triplet machine, and succeeded in doing the following wonderful times:—Quarter-mile, 27 4-5th secs.; half-mile, 56 3-5ths secs.; three-quarter mile, 1 min. 24 4-5ths secs.; one mile, 2 min. dead—a world's record.

At the Vélodrome de la Seine on Sunday the Grand Prix of the Union Vélocipédique Française was won by Zimmerman, the American. Banker, of the United States, came in second, and A. C. Edwards, of England, third. The 500 metres handicap resulted in a dead heat between Edwards and Mayer, of Denmark, the latter of whom had been allowed a start of 43 metres by the Englishman. Edwards covered a quarter of a mile in 28 seconds, and the whole distance of 500 metres, or one lap, in 38 4-5ths secs.

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FOOTBALL.

THE OPENING OF THE SEASON.

The football season opened on Saturday last with League and other matches, the most important of which ended as under:—

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

	Goals.		Goals.
*Notts Forest	2	Burnley	1
*Aston Villa	2	Small Heath	1
Preston North End	3	*Wolverhampton W.	1
*Sheffield United	2	West Bromwich Albion	1
*Bolton Wanderers	2	Stoke	2
*Blackburn Rovers	1	Liverpool	1
*Everton	3	Sheffield Wednesday	1
*Sunderland	8	Derby County	0
DIVISION II.			
*Lincoln City	5	Woolwich Arsenal	2
Burton Wanderers	3	*Rotherham Town	1
*Burton Swifts	4	Crewe Alexandra	0
*Grimsby Town	4	Leicester Fosse	3
*Burslem Port Vale	1	Walsall	0
*Darwen	5	Newcastle United	0
*Bury	4	Manchester City	2

During the present week the following games have been decided:—

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

*Everton	5	Small Heath	0
*Burnley	3	Liverpool	3
Sheffield United	3	*Wolverhampton W.	0
*Sheffield Wednesday	3	Preston North End	1
DIVISION II.			
*Manchester City	1	Burton Wanderers	1

APPALLING FIRES IN AMERICA.

A CHARRED AND BLACKENED DESERT.

1,300 LIVES LOST.

THE FLAMES RACE THE MAIL TRAINS.

HEARTRENDING DETAILS.

The terrible fires in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, which have converted many thousands of acres of forest into charred and blackened desert, appear to have been of a magnitude rarely experienced even in America. Complete details are not yet available, and as the destroying flames included the telegraph wires amongst their prey, some days must elapse before the full extent of the devastation can be ascertained. It is, however, known that many towns have been completely destroyed, in addition to those which have been partially burnt out. At present mystery envelopes the fate of a little place called Hinckley, in Minnesota, of whose 1,500 inhabitants barely 200 have yet been accounted for. So far as is known, it has been simply wiped off the face of the earth by a conflagration which spread with such startling rapidity as to imprison many of the inhabitants in their wooden houses before they were aware of their danger. The velocity with which the flames advanced may be inferred from the fact that they kept pace with the mail trains, while their intensity was such as to overpower even fugitives who had taken refuge in pools and swamps. The loss of life will, it is feared, prove very heavy. In Wisconsin eleven towns have been entirely consumed, the total loss of life amounting to nearly nine hundred. The forests are still burning, and further casualties are feared. The condition of the survivors is pitiable, and the scenes are heartrending. One man was so affected by the horrors he saw that he went raving mad.

WHY PEOPLE ARE HOPEFUL.

The opinion of the poet is that "Hope springs eternal in the human breast." It is certainly true that even in the most adverse circumstances people cling to hope for the reason, probably, that, however gloomy prospects may appear, a turn comes even to the most hopeless.

An interesting story of hope found in a hopeless case is told us by a *Dewsbury Chronicle* reporter, in that important newspaper. The other day, he writes, I visited Mrs. Benjamin Smith. She lives in Back Hanover Street, Boothroyd Lane, Dewsbury. I had heard that she had been a hopeless sufferer, but had at last found relief from pain. Was that so?

Mrs. Smith's was a grateful affirmative answer. Ten years ago, she stated—she is fifty now—"change of life" left her with a chronic rheumatism in the head and eyes. Her last illness commenced fifteen months ago. The pain in her head was too acute for words. She could not describe it. She got no sleep either night or day. Day followed—day and night followed—it was the same; for her there was neither rest, nor peace, nor sleep. Nor could the most skilful medical attention give her relief. She had a naturally sluggish liver and a weak heart, and her illness had so preyed upon her eyesight that in her own graphic words she "could only see the shadows" of objects before her. But, in this as in many another case, hope was not futile.

"I saw an account in the paper," said Mrs. Smith to the reporter, "of the marvellous cures effected where all ordinary medicine had failed, by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and my husband got me a box. I had only taken half when the pain left me just like magic, and it's to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills alone that I'm indebted. I've had only two boxes.

Dr Williams' Pink Pills had indeed, as all the neighbourhood was declaring, wrought a modern miracle in this case, and they give hope even where all hope seems lost, especially to women, whose sufferings in late life so often appear incapable of relief.

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PROPOSED NEW POLICE STATION FOR COLCHESTER.

ADDITIONAL SEWERAGE WORKS.

On Tuesday Col. J. O. Hasted, R.E., one of the Local Government Board Inspectors, held an enquiry at Colchester in reference to the application of the Corporation to borrow £1,600 for works of sewerage at Old Heath, and £2,000 for the purposes of a new police station. The Town Clerk (Mr. H. C. Wanklyn) said that the Corporation were called upon by the Home Office to make the latter provision, and the Home Secretary made it a question of police deficiency, and if the Borough did not make the provision the annual contribution would not be paid. The plans had been approved by the Home Office, and certified as meeting their requirements.—The Inspector afterwards viewed the land.

DETERMINED ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

A SUFFOLK LABOURER HAS NOTHING TO LIVE FOR.

DRINK AND MISFORTUNE: PATHETIC STORY.

A GHASTLY SCENE.

On Monday at Tendring Hundred Petty Sessions, Arthur Cooper, a labourer, was charged with attempting to commit suicide at Weeley on the 16th ult., by cutting his throat.—Helen Roff, a widow, about the 16th of July became housekeeper to the prisoner and his children. On Saturday, August 18th, prisoner came home about ten minutes past five and did some hair-cutting, at which he worked after hours. Prisoner refused his tea, saying he was tired and sick of this life. In her presence he deliberately

CUT HIS THROAT WITH A RAZOR,

which he took out of his right-hand pocket. She was present when Dr. Ivens dressed the wound, and heard him say to the doctor, "Will you kill me, as I don't wish to live." He also said that people had "rounded" on him, and he had nothing to care for and no one to care for him. She had previously hidden the razors in consequence of two previous attempts at suicide made by prisoner. He had recently sold a good deal of his furniture, and during the week before she went into his service he had been drinking heavily.—Police-constable Rennet, when summoned to the house on the 18th, found the prisoner on his hands and knees on the floor, with this throat cut and groaning. His hands and clothes were

COVERED WITH BLOOD,

and large patches of blood were about the floor.—Dr. Ivens described the wound, which was four or five inches long, nearly severing the windpipe.—The Bench committed the prisoner for trial.

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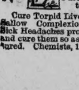

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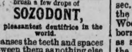

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THE WEEK'S NEWS.

HOW THE WORLD WAGS IN EAST ANGLIA.

Items Personal and Impersonal, Pithy and Pertinent.

TOLD BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

IMPORTANT TO LADIES.—Madame Worth's celebrated Guinea Corsets (black 25s.) may be obtained from her Local Agents, Messrs. Fish and Son, Suffolk House, Ipswich.

ABUNDANCE OF FISH IN THE GIPPING.—Many anglers in the Claydon district have been out during the week, and some very good catches of roach and bream have been made, especially by Messrs. Binks, Taylor, and Underwood, the latter having caught in one day about 20lbs. of roach, 60 of which scaled exactly 20lbs. Mr. Binks, on Monday, bagged 24lbs of roach, some weighing over 1lb.

PRESENTATION TO AN IPSWICH SPORTSMAN.—Since the establishment of the Easter sports under the auspices of the Ipswich A.A.A. the Committee have had the benefit of the untiring and valued services of Mr. A. A. Catchpole as ground man. It was decided that such services deserved exceptional acknowledgment, and at a special meeting of the Committee on Tuesday, Mr. A. Turner handed Mr. Catchpole a beautiful Cathedral chime clock, bearing an appropriate inscription. The recipient feelingly acknowledged the kind spirit which prompted the presentation.

IPSWICH RIFLE CLUB.—THE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE.—The third competition for the President's prize, by members of the Ipswich Volunteer Rifle Club, took place on Wednesday. Corpl. J. Turner headed the list with a score of 100 points out of a possible 105. Scores:—Corpl. Turner 100, Trooper Boon, L.S.H., 96, Sergt. Fenner 94, Sergt. Watson 91, Prvt. T. Plowman 90, Lieut.-Col. Packard 89, Bandsman Steed 88, Sergt.-Major Sparkes 85, T.-S.-M. Howe, L.S.H., 85, Hon. Mem. Baker 84, Sergt. Stannard 81.

SWIMMING CLUB "SMOKER."—The winter programme of the Orient Swimming Club opened with a smoking concert on Thursday, at the Cross Keys Hotel, under the presidency of Mr. R. D. Fraser. Mr. Jex Burrell and Mr. T. W. Coborne sustained the principal part of the programme, and their comic and coster songs proved an attractive feature of the programme. Another attraction was a concertina solo by Professor Clayton, while Messrs. W. Manning, Exton, Harry Glendenning, W. Keeble, McGeachin, Buteaux, Elden, and others sang in good style. Mr. Frank Bowman acted as accompanist.

Sayings are characteristic of nations. There is more in this than people often think; for instance, a favourite British saying is "Believe everyone to tell the truth till he proves the contrary." Other nations say, "Believe everyone to be untruthful until he proves otherwise." *Mark the contrast!* Without claiming undue credit, it is obvious that in the former there is *fairness*, which is lacking in the latter. TROVATOLO justly claims to prevent, cure, and heal, in cases of diarrhœa, colic, and colds, and is most invaluable for dressing stings, bites, burns, sores, and wounds. Trovatolo is perfectly safe for old and young. This is a truth easily verified. Sedway's TROVATOLO in bottles, 1s. 1½d., and 2s. 9d. Agents:—Messrs. Cornell and Cornell, Chemists, Tavern Street, Ipswich.

RIFLE SHOOTING CONTEST AT IPSWICH.—On Saturday the return match between the Ipswich Headquarter Companies 1st V.B. Suffolk Regiment and the Chelmsford Companies 2nd V.B. Essex Regiment was fired at Ipswich, and resulted in a win for the home team by 17 points. Lieut.-Col. Packard was present during the shooting. Scores:—Ipswich Team: Sergt. Burrows 90, Sergt. A. Mills 89, Sergt. Tye 86, Corpl. Turner 86, Sergt. Clements 85, Sergt. Stannard 83, Sergt. Sharman 82, Lnce.-Sergt. Burton 80, Colr.-Sergt. Sparks 80, Sergt. Fenner 78, total 839. Chelmsford Team: Prvt. H. Smith 91, Sergt.-Instr. Nunn 89, Bugler Howard 89, Corpl. Pitt 88, Prvt. Rippon 87, Corpl. Rippon 86, Sergt. Richell 78, Sergt. Everett 76, Capt. Coleman 72, Sergt. Murrell 66, total 822.

INTERMENTS IN IPSWICH CEMETERY.—Friday: Albert Ely, 11 years, Holy Trinity; Henry H. Kerridge, infant, St. Peter; John Pinkney, 39 years, St. Margaret. Saturday: Ellen C. Catchpole, 62 years, St. Michael; Henry C. Elvin, infant, St. Matthew; Lilian M. Brown, infant, St. John; Edith A. Barber, infant, St. Matthew. Monday: Isabella Richardson, 64 years, St. Margaret. Tuesday: Maria Wainwright, 72 years, St. Matthew; Maud M. Curtis, infant, St. Mary Key; William Rolfe, infant, St. Mary Stoke; Adelaide B. P. Wright, 32 years, St. Matthew; Harriett E. Bailey, 14 years, Holy Trinity. Thursday: Elizabeth Smith, 80 years, St. Clement; Mary A. E. Hanton, 46 years, Holy Trinity.

IPSWICH SCHOOL BOARD SWIMMING PRIZES.—On Wednesday evening the first competition for the prizes offered by the Ipswich School Board, which include donations from friends, took place at the Stoke Bathing Place. Among those who witnessed the contest were Mr. H. W. Packard and Mr. R. T. Whiting (members of the Board) and Mr. J. H. Hume (clerk). Messrs. S. B. Rowbotham and R. D. Henry officiated as starter and judge, and the necessary arrangements were made by Messrs. A. C. Cattermole and E. Hayward, instructors. Result:—1, H. Fenton, Argyle Street; 2, B. Everett, Wherstead Road; 3, G. Foster, California; 4, F. Southgate, Cavendish Street; 5, E. Catchpole, Higher Grade; 6, S. Lord, St. Mary Elms; 7, A. Knox, Bramford Road; 8, C. Innes, Wherstead Road.

END OF THE ROWING SEASON AT IPSWICH.—The Petrel Rowing Club practically terminated their season on Thursday evening, when the final of the fours, for which three crews had entered, was decided. In the penultimate round, the following crews competed:—F. H. Carwardine cox., A. Johnson 4, T. M. S. Miller (capt.) 3 W. Keeble 2, C. Bennett bow, and J Shilling stroke. E. C. Jennings stroke, L. Crowfoot 3, C. O. L. Pierce 2, E. E. Hubbard (capt.) bow. Hubbard's men drew away in the last part of the race and won easily. The race on Thursday evening was between Hubbard's crew and the following:—W. Morra cox, L. Tracy stroke, S. T. Ratcliff 3, W. E. Turner 2, O. Johnson bow. When opposite the Umbrella Hubbard's crew were barely a quarter of a length in the rear, and in passing the other boat fouled, and the race was brought to an abrupt finish.

MARRIAGE OF AN IPSWICH RECTOR.—On Tuesday, the marriage of the Rev. Francis Haslewood, rector of St. Matthew's, Ipswich, with Mrs. Rope, of Christchurch Street, was solemnised at St. Matthew's Church, only a few of the immediate friends of the bride and bridegroom being present. The bride was given away by the Rev. W. Berry, vicar of St. Peter's, and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. H. Hayes, curate of the parish. On Monday evening the curate, accompanied by Messrs. Talbot and Vick (churchwardens), on behalf of the parishioners, presented the Rector with a very handsome massive silver salver, 81 ounces in weight, richly chased, and suitably inscribed. This was accompanied by a beautifully illuminated list of subscribers (between 70 and 80). The Rector begged the churchwardens to convey to the subscribers his sincerest thanks for their beautiful present and good wishes. The salver was supplied by Messrs. Boby and Jennings. A handsome tea service of solid silver, consisting of a teapot, cream jug, and sugar basin, was presented by the ladies' working party, together with a list of 80 subscribers. A large and well-stocked walnut stationery cabinet was given by the members of the mothers' meeting. An elegant aneroid barometer was sent by the organist and members of the choir. The Sunday School teachers and scholars contributed a very pretty glass and electro-plated triple dish. An illuminated album, with the subscribers' names, accompanied the gift. Mr. and Mrs. Haslewood left immediately after the wedding for South Wales, where the honeymoon will be spent.

CHANGE RINGING IN SUFFOLK.—On Monday, members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang upon the bells of St. Mary-le-Tower Church a true peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, comprising 5,040 changes, in three hours and 50 minutes. The ringers were:—J. Motts, Ipswich, treble; A. E. Durrant, Ipswich, 2; R. C. Hudson, Newcastle, 3; I. S. Alexander, Ipswich, 4; C. L. Routledge, Newcastle, 5; W. E. Catchpole, Ipswich, 6; R. H. Brundle, Ipswich, 7; A. F. Hillier, Newcastle, 8; F. Lees, Newcastle, 9; E. Pemberton, Ipswich, 10; F J. Harrison, Newcastle, 11; W. Holmes, Newcastle, tenor, 32 cwt. The peal was composed by J. Motts and conducted by W. Holmes.—On the same day was rung at St. Mary's Church, Coddenham, a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, comprising 5,054 changes, in two hours and 58 minutes, by the following:—C. L. Routledge, treble; R. C. Hudson, 2; R Hawes, Ipswich, 3; F. Lees, 4; W. Holmes, 5; A. F. Hillier, 6; H. D. Dall, Newcastle, 7; F. J. Harrison, tenor, 16 cwt. The peal was composed and conducted by F. J. Harrison.—On Sunday morning, the Grundisburgh Company of Change Ringers rang upon the church bells 720 changes of Oxford Treble Bob, standing as follows:—H. Round Turner, treble; G. Lancaster, 2; C. Round Turner, 3; F. Clarke, 4; J Last, 5; J. Ward, 6. The peal was conducted by J. Last. This is the first in the method by C. Round Turner.

ANNUAL MEETING OF IPSWICH FOOTBALLERS.—The annual members' meeting of the Ipswich Town Football Club was held on Tuesday evening, the captain (Mr. F. W. Turner) presiding. The Secretary's review showed that last season was a prosperous one, for out of the 29 matches played the team was victorious in 22, obtaining 123 goals against 31. The club reached the semi-final stage of the Suffolk Senior Cup, when they were defeated by two goals to one by Framlingham College. This season the first team would again figure in the English Amateur and Suffolk Cup competitions, while the reserves were entered for the Suffolk Junior Cup competition. The officials anticipate that practically the same team will be placed in the field as last year. The accounts showed a favourable balance in the bank. The names of Mr. D. Ford Goddard and Mr. E. P. Ridley were added to the list of vice-presidents. Mr. F. W. Turner was was again elected captain; Mr. P. P. Cornell, hon. sec., in place of Mr. C. F. Woods. The election of the Committee resulted—Messrs. E. A. Kent, C. F. Woods, Stanley Turner, S. A. Notcutt, E R. Oxborrow, and W. N. Turner. Mr. E. Fiske was elected as skipper of the reserve team. A suggestion from the Chairman as to playing a Charity match was approved by the meeting. Among the fixtures arranged are home and home matches with Norwich C.E.Y.M.S., Vampires (London), Colchester, Framlingham College, Chelmsford, Harwich and Parkeston, Beccles Caxton, Ealing, and matches with the following clubs on Portman Road ground:—Casuals, St. Mary's Hospital, Brentford, Barking Swifts, Ilford, Olympians, Yarmouth R.A., Chiswick Park, and Clapham Rovers. The opening game, at Portman Road, is fixed for the 15th September, when the Town will meet Ipswich School Past and Present.

WATER CARNIVAL AT BECCLES.—On Wednesday evening a water carnival was held at Beccles. Between twenty and thirty boats took part, all being tastefully illuminated. Prizes given for the best decorated boats were awarded to W. T. Woodroffe, W. Brooke, Hockey, Parker, and G. Smith. The owners and occupiers of premises adjoining the river illuminated their grounds, and the Rifle band played selections of music.

A BRAINTREE BRUSHMAKER INJURED.—Thomas Edwards, a brushmaker, employed at Messrs. West and Co.'s factory, at Braintree, met with a painful accident on Tuesday. Whilst engaged in boring, his fingers were drawn into the machinery, and were very much torn and lacerated.

GARDEN CONCERT AT BUNGAY.—On Wednesday a garden concert was given at Upland Hall, by the kind permission of Mr. W. Hartcup. Owing to the heavy rains it was very thinly attended. The following assisted in the programme:—Miss V. Marshall, Miss J. Hartcup, Miss Z. Kemball, Mr. E. Watts, Miss R. Browne, Mr. C. Botright, and the conductor, Mr. R. Price.

BUNGAY PETTY SESSIONS.—George Godfrey, aged 31, stoker to her Majesty's Ship Vivid, a deserter since October 6th, 1893, was remanded until Saturday for Inspector Mayhew to make enquiries.

BURY ST. EDMUND'S NEW POSTMASTER.—Mr. F. H. Knight, of Hawkhurst, has been appointed postmaster of Bury St. Edmund's, in succession to Mr. W. Dawson, who retired more than twelve months ago.

A WOMAN'S COLLAR-BONE BROKEN AT CHIPPING HILL.—On Monday afternoon, a somewhat serious accident occurred to a woman named Fisher, living at Chipping Hill, Witham. A horse, ridden by Mr. Speakman, of Faulkbourne, was startled by a train when near the railway station, became unmanageable, and knocked down the unfortunate woman, breaking her collar-bone on the left side and lacerating her face somewhat severely.

DEBENHAM EMPLOYES' OUTING.—On Monday the *employés* of Mr. D. W. Curtis, tailor, had their outing to Ipswich, from thence they proceeded to Felixstowe by boat, and after amusing themselves on the beach they repaired to the Bent Hill restaurant, where tea was provided. Afterwards Mr. C. E. Bayles proposed Mr. Curtis's health, which was received with musical honours. Mr. Curtis suitably responded, and said he hoped they would have many such enjoyable days in future. The party returned to Ipswich by rail, and reached Debenham about 12 o'clock.

SCHOOL TREAT AT DEBENHAM.—On Wednesday, the children attending the Church Sunday School had their annual tea. Meeting at the Girls' School they proceeded to a meadow lent by Mrs. Mortimer, where various games were indulged in until five o'clock. The Debenham drum and fife band played at intervals. The children returned to the schoolroom, where an excellent tea was provided for them. The teachers and friends were indefatigable in their efforts to amuse the juveniles. Prizes were awarded to James Rumsey, William Hipperson, Sybil Corner, Alice Cook, Julia Sparrow, Kate Grimes, Emily Hipperson, Frances Aldous, Bertie Hipperson, Edward Corner, May Woods, Annie Grimes, Harry Pallant, and Fred. Pallant.

SUCCESS OF A DEBENHAM STUDENT.—Mr. A. F. Herne, of Penge, son of the late W. R. Herne, paymaster, Royal Navy, and grandson of Mrs. Bransby, of Debenham, has passed 16th in first class honours at the recent Oxford (junior) local examination. He also obtained the second place in the distinction list in arithmetic, and 13th place in the distinction list of mathematics out of 2,878 candidates.

OPEN-AIR SERVICES AT EYE.—The eighth and last of the present series of the Vicar's Friday evening open-air services was last week held at Ludgate Causeway. The whole series have been a thorough success, and worthy of the Vicar, who has himself conducted the services throughout.

ELECTION OF A CHURCHWARDEN AT EYE.—At a special vestry meeting held on Friday, the vicar (the Rev. Arthur J. Spencer) presiding, Mr. George Bate Bishop was, on the proposition of Dr. Barnes, seconded by Mr. C. Tacon, unanimously elected parish warden in the room of Mr. Henry J. Barnes, resigned. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Barnes for his past services.

ASTRONOMICAL LECTURE AT EYE.—A lecture on this subject was given by the Rev. W. H. Chambers to the members of his young men's Bible class on Monday evening. The question was treated on popular lines, and so much appreciated by the class that the rev. gentleman has consented to give a complimentary lecture next Monday evening.

EYE CHOIR BOYS' OUTING.—The Eye Choir boys spent an enjoyable afternoon at the Vicarage, on Thursday. The time before and after tea was whiled away with various games, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer exerting themselves in every way to increase the happiness of the youngsters.

CAMPANOLOGY AT EYE.—The Durham and Newcastle Association of Change Ringers, who are making a tour of the country, paid a visit to Eye, on Wednesday, and gave some excellent touches of Superlative Surprise, and Steadman's Triples in masterly style.

RATEABLE VALUE OF THE HARTISMERE UNION.—Mr. Jno. Bond, clerk to the Hartismere Board of Guardians, has just prepared a return of the gross estimated rental and rateable value of lands, buildings, railways, and all other kinds of rateable property in the Union, the result being in the aggregate for the Union as follows:—Lands, including tithes, farmhouses, and buildings, gross rental, £59,417; rateable value, £54,814. Buildings, including houses (other than farmhouses), shops, warehouses, mills, factories, etc., gross rental, £18,700; rateable value, £14,755. Railways, including stations and depôts, gross value, £7,723; rateable value, £4,044 Other properties, gas, etc., gross rental, £43; rateable value, £36; total, gross rental, £85,883; rateable value, £73,649.

LADY GOLFERS AT FELIXSTOWE.—A competition took place on Saturday for the captain's prize—a gold cable bracelet, given by Mrs. Henderson, the captain for the year. Scores:—Mrs. Scrimgeour 76, Mrs. Redwood 77, Miss Sybil Henderson 79, Mrs. H. White 83, Miss Thompson 85, Miss Hemmerde 88, Mrs. Church 88, Mrs. Henderson 89 In the morning of the same day prizes given by Mr. C. Colbeck and Mr. Scrimgeour for competition by boys and girls under 15, attracted a good entry. Scores:—Harold Church 75, Eddy Colbeck 80, Leonard Colbeck 82, Daisy Colbeck 84, Carron Scrimgeour 87, E. Greig 93, Margery Scrimgeour 98.

ROAD RACING AT FRAMLINGHAM.—On Wednesday evening the second road cycle race took place. The following started with their respective handicaps:—Walter Fairweather (10mins. start), H. Rose, 3; A. Creasey, 2½; W. Fairweather (scratch). Winners:—1st, W. Fairweather; 2nd, A. Creasey; 3rd, H. Rose; W. Fairweather (scratch).

VOLUNTEER PRIZE SHOOTING AT FRAMLINGHAM.—The twelfth and last competition for prizes offered to members of the D Company 1st V.B. Suffolk Regiment took place on Saturday. Scores:—Prvt. W. Read 51, Bugler D. Scase 49, Prvt. A. Oxborrow 47, Prvt. C. A. Wright 46, Colr.-Sergt. T. Wells 46, Sergt.-In. J. H. Harrison 43, Prvt. D. Daniels 34, Prvt. C. D. Hall 26, Prvt. W. Simpson 26, Prvt. E. G. Hall 47.

DRAWING EXAMINATION SUCCESSES AT FRAMLINGHAM.—The results of the Teachers' Drawing Class, conducted by Miss Lizzie Read, assisted by Mr. E. G Warren, for the Framlingham Centre, have just been forwarded from the Science and Art Department to Mr. J. J. Newland, the hon. secretary of the local committee. Freehand: First class—Emma Vyce, Bessie Denny; second class—Grace Watson, Florence Whissell, Walter Howard, Emma J. Jay, Harriet Jackson, R. Finch. Model: Second class—Fred. Girling, Emma J. Jay, Emma Vyce, C. M. Dewhurst, Emily Miller, Clem Stacy, Florence Whissell, Harriet Jackson. Light and shade: Second class—Fred. French.

FRISTON SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION.—The election of a School Board for the parish of Friston, on Saturday, resulted as follows:—Mr. George Pettitt (farmer) 36, Mr. William Hambling (farmer) 34, Mr. John Salter (shoemaker) 32 Mr. S. R. Sherwood (farmer) 23, Mr. William Bond (farmer) 21, Mr. Thomas Moss (retired farmer) 14, the Rev. B. G. Moffat (vicar) 10, Mr. Caleb R. Wright (miller) 5. The first five were declared elected.

RECOGNITION OF A LONG MINISTERIAL CAREER AT HARWICH.—In the presence of a large assemblage at the Church Institute, Harwich, on Monday evening, the Rev. G. W. Druce, vicar of the parish of St. Nicholas (who is leaving Harwich after a ministry of over 16 years for a living at Leaden Roding), was presented by the Church Helpers' Association and a few friends with an electro-plated Queen Anne tea tray and an afternoon tea table, and a silver fruit dish for Mrs. Druce.

COTTAGERS' EXHIBITION AT LAVENHAM.—On Wednesday a successful cottagers' exhibition of flowers, fruit, vegetables, and needlework was held in the picturesque grounds of the Hall at Lavenham. There was abundant evidence that this venture, which is looked upon as an annual event, had been instrumental in creating friendly rivalry amongst those whom it was designed to benefit. The secretarial duties were efficiently performed by Miss Biddell. The Haverhill Town brass band enlivened the proceedings, which were favoured with fine weather. Mr. Whiting, of Semer, was the judge, whose awards appeared to give general satisfaction.

SCHOOL TREAT AT LEISTON.—On Wednesday the annual treat of the scholars attending the Church Sunday Schools in the parish of Leiston was held. The children from Sizewell were conveyed in a waggonette to Leiston, and those from Coldfair Green in a waggon lent by Mr. E Warmoll, of Knoddishall Mills. The children marched in procession to the church, where a short service was conducted by the Rector, and afterwards proceeded to the Cupola grounds adjoining, which had been kindly placed at their disposal by Mr. T. Percy Borrett, J.P. The scholars amused themselves until tea time, after which racing and games of all kinds were indulged in. The races were arranged by Colonel Borrett, and the treat was brought to a conclusion by a display of fire balloons. The number of scholars and teachers present was about 300.

THE LATE BAZAAR.—In our report last week we inadvertently omitted to state that amongst the stallholders were Mrs. H. Baldry and Mrs. Valiant, and Messrs. Richard Garrett and Sons kindly erected the stalls and band stand at their own expense.

FUNERAL OF A LONG MELFORD ODDFELLOW.—The remains of the late Mr. J. Cross Branwhite were interred in the churchyard at Long Melford on Thursday. A long concourse of parishioners and friends of the deceased assembled to pay their last tribute of respect to one whose untimely decease has evoked widespread sympathy. The "Loyal Independence" Lodge of Oddfellows, of which deceased was a member, was well-represented by present and past officers. The Rev. G. St. John Topham (rector), and the Rev. J. T. Pallan (curate) officiated. After the interment the Oddfellows' address was read by the Rector. A number of beautiful wreaths were sent by relatives and sympathisers, including a handsome wreath from the "Loyal Independence" Lodge.

MARRIAGE OF A LOWESTOFT LADY.—On Thursday afternoon at the Church of All Saints, Margaret Street, London the marriage took place of Mr. William Henry Thomas, the well-known international football player (Rugby), and Miss Martha Sherrard Stanford, daughter of the late Mr. George Stanford, merchant, of Lowestoft. The Rev. J. T. Griffiths, vicar of Llainlar, Wales, cousin of the bridegroom, officiated, assisted by the Rev. E. Killen Roberts, of All Saints. There were two bridesmaids—Miss Astle (cousin of the bride) and Miss Laura Lewis (niece of the bridegroom). Mr. George V. Worthington, of Cambridge, was best man. The bride, who was given away by Mr. S. V. Eggar, wore a handsome gown of ivory satin brocade with tulle veil. The presents were very numerous and costly.

PRESENTATION TO A ROMFORD BRIDEGROOM.—On the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Jos. Everson (who was formerly on the staff of the Great Eastern Railway Company at Stowmarket) with Miss Annie L. Osborne, of Brentwood, the bridegroom received a handsome marble timepiece from the railway staff at Romford, where he is now located, and the bride an elegantly bound Prayer and hymn book from the teachers of the Brentwood Church Sunday School.

NEW SCHOOLS FOR SAXMUNDHAM.—At the last meeting of the Saxmundham School Board it was announced that the plans of the new schools had been approved by the Education Department.

CLOSE OF THE SHOOTING SEASON AT SAXMUNDHAM.—The eighth and last monthly competition of the season for prizes took place on Saturday. Scores:—Class A. Corpl. J. Edmunds 81, Prvt. W. Teager 80, Band-Sergt. Chapman 76, Sergt. A. Lowe 75, Corpl. H. Chapman 70, Prvt. F. Culham 69, Col.-Sergt. Butcher 65, Prvt. F. Barrell 60. Class B: Prvt. Andrews 59, Prvt. H. Cogger 55, Prvt. H. Backhouse 36, Prvt. A. Durrant 36.

SOUTHWOLD GOLF CLUB.—The monthly competition (match play) was held on Saturday, when the following returns were made:—Mr. R. E. Yerburgh, 4 up; W. Whytock, 2 ditto; W. E. Emmerson, 2 down; S. W. Woollett, 4 ditto; E. B. Ellington, 6 ditto; A. B. Smith, 7 ditto. Messrs. H. B. Yerburgh and A. C. Herbert made no return. Mr. W F. Gowers won the competition for the second class.

SUCCESS OF A STOWMARKET MARKSMAN.—The marksmen's cup, presented by Major C. Marriott, was competed for on Saturday for the first time, and won by Prvt. Sidney Bridges with 59 points, who now becomes the holder of the cup until September, 1895. Scores:—Sergt. A. G. Andrews 60, Sergt.-Inst. J. Bridges 59, Prvt. S. W. Bridges 59, Sergt. A. Steed 59, Prvt. H. Gosling 58, Arm.-Sergt. T. A. Dadley 55, Lance-Sergt. J. Abbott 49, Prvt. W. Tricker 48, Corpl. W. Runnecklеs 47, Prvt. G. Pettit 43, Prvt. S. Haxell 44, Sergt. H. Andrews 41.

STOWMARKET FETE AND GALA COMMITTEE.—This Committee at its last meeting was able to produce a balance-sheet showing a surplus in hand. It was decided that a gala should be held annually, and that the surplus should be carried forward to next year's *fête* and gala. In recognition of Mr. Oakes' kindness in lending the use of his grounds, the Committee expressed their feeling in a beautifully illuminated address, which was much appreciated by Mr. Oakes. It was decided to give a donation of £5 5s. towards the rehanging of the church bells.

TENDRING HUNDRED FINANCES.—At the last meeting of the Tendring Hundred Guardians Mr. C. Hempson submitted an estimate of expenditure for the next half-year, which showed that £5,072 was required for Union purposes, and £3,545 for county purposes, which would be raised by a 6¼d. and 4½d. rate respectively. After deducting balances in hand, however, a general rate of only 10½d. was required, the same as that of the corresponding half-year of last year.—A rate of ½d. in the £ for sanitary purposes was passed by the Sanitary Authority.

THETFORD SCHOOL BOARD.—At the monthly meeting of this Board on Thursday, accounts and salaries were authorised to be paid.—Mr. R. Goddard was elected to superintend and report upon the sanitary appliances.

WICKHAM MARKET GAS COMPANY.—The directors have just issued their report for the past year. They say that owing to the reduced consumption and the increased price of coal during the strike, the profits have considerably diminished. They recommend a dividend of 3½ per cent. for the past year.

WICKHAM MARKET PARISH MAGAZINE.—In the issue for September the Vicar announces the Sunday School treat, the G.F.S. festival, and the Children's Scripture Union meeting to be held this month. He also comments on "Infant Baptism," quoting the well-known texts for proving its scriptural authority for the benefit of mothers who are Church people.

PROMENADE CONCERT AT WOODBRIDGE.—On Wednesday evening the Woodbridge town band gave a promenade concert in the beautiful grounds of Mr. A. A. Henley, kindly lent for the occasion. Hundreds of prismatic fairy lamps, Japanese lanterns, &c., were placed about the lawn and walks, and had a very pretty effect.

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT OF A WOODBRIDGE GENTLEMAN.—Mr. Henry Western Page Phillips, son of Mr. W. P. T. Phillips, J.P., D.L., of the Cedars, Woodbridge, has been appointed special commissioner of Income-tax, at Somerset House, in succession to Mr. Wm. Smiles, C.B. Mr. Phillips commences his duties on October 1st.

WOODBRIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB.—On Tuesday evening the annual meeting of the Old St. Mary's Football Club was held, Mr. E. Booth presiding. Regret was expressed that the greater part of last season's team would not be available, but it was decided to re-start the Club. The financial statement showed a small balance on the right side. Mr. E. Booth was elected as captain, Mr. A. E. Garnham, vice-captain; Mr. H. Lloyd, treasurer; Mr. W. G. Bunn, hon. sec.; and Messrs. F. Amer, T. Scrutton, E. H. Sawyer, A. Baker, H. Cutting, and F. Luard the Committee.

RIGHTS OF RAILWAY COMPANIES.

IMPORTANT TO EXCURSIONISTS.

THE G.E.R. ESTABLISH A PRECEDENT.

In the City of London Court on Tuesday, the Great Eastern Railway Company sued A. Waymark, commercial traveller, 49, Parkholme Road, to recover the sum of 2s. 2d., the balance of a fare. The defendant, it was stated, took a third class excursion ticket from Colchester to London, for which he paid half the ordinary fare, namely 4s. 4d. Having travelled to London, the defendant returned to Colchester, but he went on from there to Ipswich where the full fare was demanded, less the value of the return half of the excursion ticket. The ordinary fare from London to Ipswich was 5s. 9d., and the Company deducted 2s. 2d., the value of the return half. But the defendant paid 1s. 5d., being under the impression that he was entitled to deduct the 4s. 4d. he originally paid from the 5s. 9d. That could not be allowed, as the excursion ticket was only available to the places for which it was issued.—The defendant contended that the Company's by-laws did not authorise them to make the charge, but Mr. Commississioner Kerr said they did. The plaintiffs were entitled to recover the sum claimed, and judgment was accordingly given for the plaintiff Company with costs.

TWO BOYS PLAY WITH A PISTOL.

SHOCKING AFFAIR AT YARMOUTH.

On Sunday afternoon a serious shooting accident occurred at Great Yarmouth. Mr. Wailaume, who keeps a greengrocer's establishment on Regent's Road, and the greater part of the family, went out for a day's fishing, leaving in charge his son Harold, a lad 14 years of age. During the morning the latter invited a companion into the house, and the two boys discovered a pistol and ammunition, with which they began to play. While the weapon was in the hands of the companion it suddenly went off, the bullet passing through Waillaume's throat, and lodging close to the spinal cord. The report of the pistol and the cries of alarm soon brought help to the spot. The wound was found to be a very serious one, and during the day four doctors were in attendance. The boy lingered until half-past three on Monday morning when he expired.—At the inquest on Tuesday the father of the deceased boy explained that he knew his son, who was 14 years old, had a five-chambered revolver, which he used to keep in a drawer in the bedroom. He did not keep it loaded, as he had no cartridges, and he did not know the lad had any. They bought the cartridges unknown to him. Maurice Bernard Wilkinson repeated his description of the occurrence, and said that he knew deceased had bought 50 cartridges unknown to his father.—The Coroner expressed his sorrow for the witness, and commended him for the way he had behaved after the occurrence. Verdict, "Accidental death."

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FURNITURE.

Comprising mahogany chairs, dining table, sideboard and cheffonier, INLAID BRACKET CLOCK, a few pieces of china, chimney glasses, pictures, iron French bedsteads, large mahogany wardrobe, kneehole dressing table, marble top washstands, chests of drawers, china, glass, kitchen utensils, and the usual household effects, in all about 240 lots.

Catalogues of the Auctioneers, 1, Old Butter Market, Ipswich.

IPSWICH GAS LIGHT COMPANY.
ISSUE OF
£4,000 NEW ORDINARY C STOCK.

The Standard Rate of Dividend on this Stock is 7 per cent. per annum; the dividend paid the last four years has been 8½ per cent. (17s. per £10) per annum.

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A moderate sized TOWN RESIDENCE, conveniently situate, No. 14, Northgate Street, having good entrance hall, two sitting-rooms, office with door to street, five bedrooms, three attics, kitchens, and garden.

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On FRIDAY, 21st September, 1894,
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2 Capital Suffolk Cart Mares,
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3 Red Polled Cows,
40 Head of Swine, including 3 Sows, 13 Fatting Hogs, and 27 good Shoats;
Excellent road van, on iron arms; tumbril by *Woods*; pony tumbril and cart, iron water tank on carriage, and the usual implements, all in good order.

TATTINGSTONE,
On MONDAY, 24th September, 1894,
The Entire Live and Dead STOCK at Pond Hall Farm, by direction of the Executors of Mr. DAVID RIST, deceased.

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On THURSDAY, 27th September, 1894.
The Entire Live and Dead STOCK, at the Tattingstone Farm, by direction of Mr. W. B. BARRETT, whose lease expires.

WESTERFIELD.
On MONDAY, 1st October, 1894.
The Entire Live and Dead STOCK, by direction of the Executors of Mr. GEORGE PAYNE, deceased.

EAST BERGHOLT.
On WEDNESDAY, 3rd October, 1894.
The Entire Live and Dead STOCK, at Woodgate Farm, by direction of the Executors of Mr. DAVID RIST, deceased.

BARKING.
On FRIDAY, 5th October, 1894.
The Entire Live and Dead STOCK, at the Home Farm, by direction of the Honourable GEORGE ASHBURNHAM.

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On MONDAY, 8th October, 1894.
By direction of Mr. H. BUMSTEAD.

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By direction of Mr. WATERMAN.

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MICHAELMAS, 1894.
NOTICE OF FARM STOCK SALES.
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8 YOUNG CART HORSES,
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Sheep, Swine, Fowls, and the usual Farm Implements, by direction of Mr. R. G. Ablitt, whose lease expires, and is giving up farming.

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Public Notices.

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A MEETING of the Parishioners will be held on MONDAY, October 8th, at 11 o'clock in the morning, in the Vestry, to consider and determine the question of selling the Advowson of the above.
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THE Committee of Visitors at their meeting to be held at the Asylum, on SATURDAY, September 22nd, 1894, invite Tenders to supply the Asylum for thirteen weeks (commencing 1st October, 1894) with Beef and Mutton, Bread and Flour, Grocery, Beer, Coals, Faggotwood, Hay and Straw. Also Tenders to supply the Asylum six months (commencing 1st October, 1894) with Brushes and Brooms, White Lead, Paint and Linseed Oil, Glass, Earthenware, Men's Clothing, Drapery, Bed Ticking and Strong Clothing, Woollen, Cotton, and Linen Goods, Boots and Shoes, and Hardware.
All persons desirous of Tendering for supplies should inspect the samples which may be seen at the Asylum, on Wednesday, the 12th inst., from 12 to 3, and printed forms, upon which alone Tenders must be sent in, may be obtained on application to the Clerk and Steward.
The Committee will not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any other Tender.
JAS. DUNLOP,
Suffolk County Asylum, Clerk and Steward.
September 3rd, 1894.

HOXNE UNION.

THE Guardians of this Union will on MONDAY, 17th day of September next, be prepared to receive Tenders for supplying good Seconds Flour at per stone for out-relief for each of the Relieving Officers' Districts for thirteen weeks, and for Wines and Spirits at per gallon in pint and half-pint bottles for six months from the 1st day of October, 1894.
Wines and Spirits to be delivered at the Union Workhouse at Stradbroke, where Forms of Tender may be had.
Tenders containing a fractional part of a penny will not be accepted.
Tenders to be deposited in the Tender Box, and Samples at the Union Workhouse before ten o'clock in the Forenoon of the 17th day of September.
BILLS.
All Bills and Demands against the Union must be sent to the Workhouse not later than THURSDAY, 27th day of September, and if found correct, will be paid at the Boardroom at one o'clock in the Afternoon of the 1st day of October, when proper stamped receipts will be required.
By order of the Board,
NORTON BURROUGHS GARRARD,
Boardroom, Stradbroke, Clerk.
3rd September, 1894.

PLOMESGATE UNION.

THE Guardians of the Poor of the Plomesgate Union invite TENDERS for Contracting to Supply the Relieving Officers' Districts with Flour, and the Workhouse at Wickham Market with the following Provisions and necessaries for the next three months, viz., Bread, Meat, Cheese, Butter, and Margarine, and Straw; and also, for the next six months, with Coffins with Coffin Plate, Grocery, Brooms and Brushes, London Porter, Port Wine in pint bottles (bottles included), English Gin, Whiskey, and Brandy, at per gallon.
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The Accounts of the current quarter to be delivered to me on or before Monday, the 8th day of October; those found correct will be paid on the following Monday, at Four o'clock, at the Clerk's Office.
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th.

THE MORECAMBE DISASTER.

Yet another awful calamity. Once more the scene is changed, but tragedy still holds its place upon the world's stage. This disaster, at which England stands aghast, occurred between Silverdale and Grange, near the seat of the Duke of Devonshire, a district noted for its scenery and traditions. But henceforth these places will not be noted so much for the glorious landscape, but for the baleful calamity that occurred under the shadow of the well-wooded mountains. What apology, what excuse is there for this disaster? Apology or excuse there seems to be really none. We often hear of the astonishing carelessness of sailors — proceedings which seem perfectly unaccountable to ordinary people. Familiarity certainly breeds contempt in their case. They are so much accustomed to the dangerous elements which now and again break loose and deal destruction all around, that they regard them as among the ordinary conditions of life. The wonder is, indeed, that accidents are not more terrible and numerous. In the case under notice the vessel, which contained twenty-five passengers, was manned by only one man. He must have known—even the merest tyro in shipping knows—that in the event of the tiller being left for some minutes, should a sudden gust of wind strike the boat, it is in imminent danger of being capsized. Nothing could possibly have been more unfortunate than the action of the man in charge of the boat. He was a skilled seaman, and knew the danger of deserting his charge. He must also have been well aware that the danger was vastly enhanced by the presence of a large number of persons on board the vessel who were totally unacquainted with motions which are understood by all yachtsmen. Yet with this knowledge he coolly left the tiller to collect the fares. A gust of wind struck the boat, it veered over; alarmed at the careering, all rose and distractedly ran about. Hampered by the movements of the occupants, the boatman attempted to reach the tiller, but before he could reach it the vessel was on her beam ends and the occupants struggling in the water. This fearful loss of life might have been averted had there been anyone versed in the handling of the boat on board. The catastrophe could have instantly been averted by simply throwing the vessel up in the wind. With aphoristic accuracy does the poet who sang "The Song of the Shirt" remind us that "Evil is wrought by want of thought as well want of heart." But the thoughtlessness which wrought this disaster was itself heartlessness, for the presence of a second hand

might have secured all. This exposure it is that has given its intensely tragic character to the present calamity. Eighteen human beings, full of lusty life, suddenly find themselves in the embrace of death, which confronts them in the most appalling aspect. Ancient philosophy represented man as the plaything of fate, and in the disaster that this week inspired so deep a sympathy he is apt to read a justification of that antique theory. When we see such calamitous occurrences as in that of the Morecambe boat—and boating accidents owing to under-manning are becoming painfully frequent—the necessity of doing something forces itself upon our mind. These holocausts of victims need not be offered up with such fearful frequency if proper care and adequate measures of security are adopted. Of that we are quite certain. It seems almost hopeless to expect boatmen themselves to enforce precautions, except at the bidding of superior authority. The question is whether the bye-laws regarding the issuing of licences to boatmen should not be considerably amended, so as to insist on the augmentation of crews in boats over certain sizes, and thus ensure the proper control of the sails.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AT LIVERPOOL. During the lull in Parliament Mr. JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN took advantage of the occasion offered at Liverpool on Wednesday evening of considering the political situation, and principles which go beyond the mere details of the moment. Parliament was prorogued a fortnight since, and it is safe to assume that public interest in Ministers and their measures is for the time being exhausted; but the urgency of the situation cannot be denied, as the general election, however much delayed, must be upon us before long. That being so, Mr. CHAMBERLAIN did not need to make an apology for referring to the measures and policy of the Radical party as gathered from the declarations of Ministers and Nationalists from time to time during the past eighteen months. The attitude Mr. CHAMBERLAIN adopted was entirely aggressive, and was prompted doubtlessly by the knowledge that a passive defence is almost always fruitless. Political knowledge is notoriously short in these days, and an honest and conscientious opposition may grievously suffer at the next election if typical extracts are not given of all the more or less important questions of the Session, and are not clearly presented to the electorate. It is never safe to underrate the power and influence of an enemy, and so in the case of the Rosebery Government. During its whole term of office it has been distinguished by folly and wickedness, with frivolity, selfishness, and want of judgment, and now at the close of a session which is well described as follows: "Few and evil have been its days; wrong and robbery its fruits; truckling and tyranny by turns its instruments," the Radical party seek to blind the electorate to their gross imperfections by raising a storm of indignation against the House of Lords. But they must not be allowed to raise false issues. The electorate in these days are not as of years ago, and the fact of pressing through the House of Commons hasty and ill-considered Bills—Bills on which the popular feeling had not been tested—will not serve to secure the obscuring of the issues that Lord ROSEBERY and his colleagues so earnestly desire. It is an awful responsibility that falls upon the man who is accepted as the trusted guide, friend, and legislator of thousands. Well is it for him if he feels that responsibility, and discharges it bravely, humbly and honestly. Can Lord ROSEBERY face the electorate and say that he endeavoured conscientiously to perform all that was expected of the Radical party? Mr. CHAMBERLAIN clearly demonstrated that he could not, or why should he delay from appealing to the country to decide the particular questions that the House of Lords remitted back to the House of Commons? In the words of Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, why do they interpose this, that and the other party question between the verdict of the nation and the question that they have raised? The reason is not far to seek. They believe that they will gain a solid advantage by a delay that will afford them an opportunity of confusing the issues. Mr. CHAMBERLAIN has carefully placed on record a number of the scandalous propositions to which reference will be made, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the electorate will study the "root and branch" revelations that he made.

CONFUSING THE ISSUES. Mr. CHAMBERLAIN well described the tactics of the Radical Government during the last Session when he said that the Government tried to keep the various sections of this motley party in good temper by giving them a sniff of legislation, by the preparation of measures complying with the demands of the various factions. The mention of these measures, said Lord ROSEBERY, does not imply that the Government means to carry them; they merely "indicated" a tone of thought, a general bias in a particular direction. We would pause for a moment to point out that while the Government may congratulate themselves on their temporary success in silencing the discordant sections, they are only laying up for themselves a store of trouble in the future. Sir W. HARCOURT cannot disguise his motive in introducing measures of fundamental importance. With the exposure of the wicked Home Rule Bill, and the Evicted Tenants measure, their good catch cries had gone, and ever chafing for the holding of office, some other electioneering cry had to be devised. Hence the string of measures of first-class importance which were introduced into a jaded Parliament, in a Session of which three-fifths were occupied with a sweeping financial revolution. Mr. CHAMBERLAIN clearly pointed out that this attempt to force through ill-drafted, agressive and unintelligible Bills is not seriously intended to result in legislative reforms. The intention was to provoke the Opposition and the House of Lords to reject the measures by such an application of the guillotine that only one-fourth of the clauses could be discussed, and so give an opportunity for the display of well-feigned indignation at seeing the will of the people over-ridden. It was thus hoped that it would be able to pick a quarrel with the House of Lords on some issue in which the British electorate may be expected to feel an interest, but so badly drafted were the measures that some of them expired after a feeble flicker at the hands of the House of Commons. The warfare commenced at Hyde Park last week, but was, as Mr. CHAMBERLAIN described it, a "contemptible mummery." Such men as Mr. WILLIAM O'BRIEN, who was found guilty of plotting to dismember the United Kingdom, and Dr. TANNER and several members of the Irish factions, who, metaphorically, tore one another to pieces in Committee-room No. 15, tried to rival each other in earning the applause of their dupes by impotently vituperating the Press for doing their duty as England expected. The expenditure of Irish National rhetoric tends to vindicate, and not weaken, the House of Lords. As yet no steps have been taken by official members of the Government, despite the fanfarade that was made at the close of the Session. Let us hope that they have been warned by the fate of the Hyde Park fiasco. In no particular has the Government a case for appealing to the country for the destruction of the Second Chamber. With one exception we have never had a Prime Minister for a hundred years without a commanding majority in one House of Parliament or the other. The one exception was Mr. Canning, and the trial killed him. In the present constitution of the House of Commons we find a narrow majority of thirty in favour of the offending measure, and that majority largely made up by the Nationalist party, naturally prejudiced in favour of Irish legislation, and what is more to the point, prepared to throw out the Government if it showed any unwillingness to give their demands preference. If there had happened to be a great and manifest preponderence of opinion at the back of the Government in regard to the measures rejected by the House of Lords, the latter authority could have nothing to set against it, and must of course give way. But as the preponderence was so small that the representatives of the "predominant partner" were nearly equal, and in the same proportion equally aggressive to the measures about which so much complaint has been made, there is little room to appeal to the electorate. Mr. Chamberlain urged his hearers never to lose sight of the fact that so long as the Radical party were dependent on the Irish members for office so sure would every measure introduced bear upon the latent policy of Separation, and he also reminded his audience that the majority who passed the Home Rule Bill through the House of Commons was composed entirely of men who had been convicted by one of the highest tribunals of the realm of conspiracy by criminal means to separate Ireland from Great Britain. In conclusion, we cannot do better than quote the final words of Mr. Chamberlain: "And if you desire to preserve "your great inheritance, I ask you whether "you will not do better to rely on those who "are honest and inspired by old traditions, "and who are determined to maintain the "honour and the interests of this country, "rather than upon those who have shown "themselves indifferent to the principles upon "which the fabric of our greatness has been "built up, and who have shown themselves "willing to truckle to enemies without and to "traitors within."

PURCHASE OF CHRISTCHURCH PARK. The statements made by Alderman JOSSELYN in the Press will certainly not enlist the sympathies of the public against the purchase of Christchurch Park. The news of his opposition, though it could scarcely excite surprise in view of the determined attitude that he has taken on this question on previous occasions, was received with general regret, not unmixed with anxiety and doubt. It is known that Alderman JOSSELYN's opinions, by virtue of his position and party connection, will have a tendency to influence the decision of those members of the Town Council who are halting between the two opinions. We would not have cared to have interfered in the matter at this juncture had not certain statements which have been made by the Alderman under notice been necessary of correction. This intervention is desirable in order that we may supply a standpoint from which the present position in regard to parks accommodation may be appreciated, and this incidentally may have another advantage if it assists those who are unable to make up their minds as to the necessity of recommending the Town Council to the purchase of that portion of Christchurch Park as offered by the syndicate. The fundamental point to be kept in view is the unsatisfactory condition of our relations to the parks and recreation grounds in Ipswich. The Upper Arboretum is practically the only open space worthy of the appellation of a park. This is merely hired by the Coporation, and must revert by the effluxion of time to the holder of the property. It may be argued that the time is sufficiently far removed as not to be deemed necessary to take this into consideration in deciding the particular question at issue. Unhappily, however, the Corporation have no guarantee that the privilege now accorded to them will be extended, and we may at once dismiss the question of the Arboretum by assuming that on the expiry of the term of hire the Corporation will be without a park at a convenient distance from the centre of the town. This is a consideration which we think ought to materially influence the current of feeling in the direction of making provision to meet this contingency. The argument that has been adduced that there is no probability of the interior of the Park being built upon for a number of years, if ever, is one that may be at once dismissed. Standing as it does in proximity to the main streets, it is apparent to the most casual observer that the site is a most desirable one for building operations, and the disposal of the tract of land and the felling of the noble trees can only be a question of a brief interval in view of the increasing demand for houses in Ipswich, emphasised by the very high prices realised by the sale of the land lately in Bolton Lane and Westerfield Road. The arguments of Alderman JOSSELYN are now narrowed down to the one, what is the probability that the Park would, if purchased by the town, be very generally resorted to by the public as a place of recreation? This may be briefly disposed of by citing the action of corporations throughout the kingdom in acquiring additional parks. Taking into consideration the limited parks accommodation in Ipswich, and the reasonableness of the price required for the Christchurch Park, coupled with the fact that it is situated on a base of natural advantages such as are seldom to be met with, we would urge the Town Council to secure this beautiful retreat in the interests of the working classes, who form a preponderance of the population, and who by the exigencies of their situations are unable, as many of the better placed of the Corporation, to seek relief and relaxation in places removed from Ipswich. Experience has proved that the provision of open spaces has been warmly welcomed by the section that we speak of, and any reasonable advance towards the improvement of the condition of the toilers ought to find many pleaders on the Town Council. Let us hope that the next meeting of the Council will have shown that our appeal is not in vain.

NEW LIFEBOAT FOR WALTON.

PRESENTATION FOR SAVING LIFE.

On Thursday the lifeboat, which has been obtained mainly that the ten men who resigned their positions among the local crew of the National Lifeboat Institution may continue the same sort of work in winter, was formally christened by Mrs. W. Francis, of London. The craft will be known as the Volunteer Lifeboat, and will bear the name of "True to the Core." The Rev. M. S. Horton, Congregational minister of Clacton, then announced that the Royal Humane Society had forwarded a certerficate to be presented to George Arthur Polley (the second coxswain) for saving life, and he called upon Mrs. Francis to make the presentation, which she did.

BURY BAKER ROBS HIS EMPLOYER.

EMBEZZLEMENT WHILE DELIVERING BREAD.

At the Guildhall, Bury St. Edmund's, on Thursday, Robert Scott, journeyman baker, was charged with having embezzled about 30s. belonging to his employer, Mr. George Balls, baker, of Ipswich Street. Defendant had been in Balls's employ between seven and eight years, and left last Tuesday. From Mr. Argent, of Bishop's Road, defendant had received 19s. 0½d., for none of which did he account, although the defendant had given the customer a receipt for the money. Jas. Morrison, of Blomfield Street, a customer of the prosecutor's, also spoke to paying money to the prisoner which had not been accounted for. Defendant pleaded guilty, and expressed his willingness to refund the money. Fined £1.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

CAN IT BE TRUE?

THE REVISION COURTS IN SUFFOLK.

CONSERVATIVE GAINS AT HALESWORTH

AND FRAMLINGHAM.

MR. J. J. COLMAN AS THE MUSTARD PEER.

A QUIXOTIC SUFFOLK LOCAL BOARD.

IPSWICH, Friday.

"Can it be true?" was the uppermost question on everyone's tongue after reading our commissioner's satirical sketch last week of the "Loyal Twiddlers' Dinner." It were idle to state that the article savours too strongly of a vivid imagination, or that the *Journal* commissioner had stood at a distance gazing on the scene through coloured spectacles. The fact is that friendly societies, the growth and prosperity of which is ever welcome news to the toiling masses of this country, are not invariably conducted on lines worthy of commendation.

Undoubtedly there are scores of Oddfellows' Lodges, Foresters' Courts, and other assemblies in the Eastern Counties the management of which is characterised by sound judgment, indomitable perseverance, and integrity of purpose; but, on the other hand, there are likewise many into which the essential elements of thrift-promoting organisations never enter. Our own experience of Friendly Societies is that the brunt of the management devolves upon a very limited number of members; that many take no interest whatever in their Lodges save the payments of their contributions and the receipt of benefit money; and that a third section become Oddfellows and Foresters, &c., simply because it affords them periodical opportunities for spending "a merry evening" and assuring each other that they are jolly good fellows.

Again we repeat this does not apply to every Suffolk branch of the great friendly orders, but unfortunately we regret to say that beer and tobacco, rather than self-help, are the predominent characteristics. Were friendly societies more generally dissociated from the public-house better results would be achieved in the future than in the past, great as the latter undoubtedly have been. Let it not be thought that we desire to deprive the British workman of his glass of beer, but as in everything else, so with friendly society work, "Business first; pleasure afterwards."

As a result of a very careful investigation of the registers, a large number of Conservative owners and occupiers' claims, besides those of three lodgers, were made at the Halesworth, Saxmundham, and Framlingham Revision Courts this week. With one exception the whole of the claims were sustained; and we have it on good authority that this will so strengthen the Unionist party in those districts as to enable them to poll their full strength whenever the long-desired general election may take place.

The rumour is revived that Mr. J. J. Colman, M.P., of mustard fame, is to receive a peerage. "I'm sure I don't see why he shouldn't (observes a humourist in a contemperary). If peerages are awarded right and left to beer, what's the matter with mustard? Why can't we have an eminent butcher as a peer, or an eminent grocer, or milkman, or tripe dresser? Why not ennoble all our successful modern tradesmen? Such individuals would bring a tremendous business aptitude into the House of Lords, and with an Upper Chamber arranged on this democratic principle the Socialist would cease from howling, and the Radical would be at rest."

Just so; but it appears to us, judging by events during the past Session, the House of Lords are the only assembly which possess the business aptitude which our contemporary so much desires. Continuing, the writer remarks:—"Mr. Colman, the prospective mustard peer, declares, I believe, that he has made his large fortune not so much by the quantity of mustard that people eat, as the quantity they leave on their plates. He has a pretty house not far from Lowestoft, which the irreverent have christened 'Mustard Mansion,' which I think is cruel, for no one has a right to throw a gentleman's mustard in his own teeth.

"Further south, another wealthy gentleman, Mr. Wills, the tobacco manufacturer of Bristol, has built unto himself a house. Perhaps there is a peerage in prospect for him also. I ask again, Why not? The old hard-and-fast divisions of caste are now utterly broken down, and there is no distinction between the 'classes' and the wealthy 'masses.'"

The brewers and the licensed victuallers of Suffolk and adjoining counties have every reason to be satisfied with the result of the Brewster Sessions just held. The teetotal party cannot be said to have been as vigilant and vindictive in their opposition as has been the case in previous years, which fact may probably be accounted for by the circumstance that Licensing Justices have refused to make themselves the tools whereby the caprice of certain individuals might be pandered to. The Magistrates deserve the thanks of the public generally, for throughout the county they have stolidly refused to truckle to an unreasoning opposition; while at the same time they have shown a tendency to grant no new licenses unless the requirements of the various localities absolutely demanded them. Taking the county as a whole, the police reports have been of a highly satisfactory character—excepting Ipswich, about which the public know nothing, inasmuch as the Chief Constable's yearly returns were suppressed—and in many cases the Justices have even had occasion to publicly compliment the license-holders on the excellent manner in which they had conducted their houses. This significant fact should prove of material service to the licensed victuallers' organisations in future defensive operations. Certainly these compliments form a very remarkable reply to the oft-repeated fanatical attacks of ultra-teetotallers on the personal character of publicans.

The Woodbridge Local Board members having kicked against the pricks, or rather the Local Government Board, and found that their conduct was purely Quixotic, have now returned like a dog to its vomit and are again pursuing the even tenor of their way. The Local Board formulated a set of bye-laws, not very long ago, presumably on the basis of the model bye-laws of the Local Government Board. The higher authority, which is as well known as the House of Commons for its circumlocation, found it necessary to object. This greatly disturbed the equanimity of the Woodbridge Local Board members who, rather than remodel their regulations, despatched a deputation to London. Of course, the deputation were very courteously received at headquarters, and after a little persuasive eloquence on the part of the Local Government Board, the Woodbridge worthies returned home conscious of having scored a "moral victory," and determined to—do as they were told. The bye-laws are now "new made o'er," and have already received the imprimatur of the Medical Officer of Health, who pronounces them to be "very good." Why all this pother over so small a matter when the result would have been the same under any circumstances?

The growing danger of the extended sale of toy pistols, revolvers, and similar instruments of destruction has had two painful demonstrations in Suffolk within the past week. In one case—that at Yarmouth, in which a boy fatally shot his companion—it was proved that a boy of 14 years had purchased no less than 50 cartridges. What any sane man was thinking of to sell a boy of tender years ammunition in such quantities it is difficult to conceive, and it is still more perplexing to understand why destructive weapons of this character should be permitted to be sold to children under any circumstances. Mr. C. H. Hopwood, the light sentence Recorder of Liverpool, made a deal of fuss in the House of Commons when the Pistols Bill was being debated, but daily experience in every part of the country proves the urgent necessity of prompt and stringent action being taken to suppress the wholesale sale of firearms.

It is related of the late Earl of Albemarle (whose name was a household word throughout Norfolk), that before he succeeded to the earldom, when he was concontesting Wick, a heckler called out to him, "Is thy name Bury?" "Yes, it is," replied the candidate. "Have you any objection?" "No," replied the would-be wag, "but it has a churchyard sound." "Quite so," retorted the future M.P., "I have come to *bury* the other side."

We would like to remind our readers that next Saturday is Hospital Saturday. An appeal has been made by the Hospital Authorities for subscriptions, and we trust that it will be readily responded to.

RUPTURE.—J. A. Sherman, Hernia Specialist, is again in London. If you wish to be cured, send for his book, post free 7d.—Address, J. A. Sherman, 64, Chancery Lane, London.

DISASTROUS COLLISION OFF BAWDSEY.

SCHOONER RUN INTO WHILE AT ANCHOR.

The schooner Panther, London for Aberdeen, has put into Harwich for repairs in consequence of her having been run into by the three-masted schooner Mary Miller, whilst at anchor south-west of Bawdsey.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF A SUFFOLK FARMER.

WAS IT SUICIDE?

At noon on Wednesday, the dead body of Mr. Walter Maxim, farmer and maltster, of Street Farm, Boxtead, was found in a pond near the homestead of Pickles Farm, Hartest, of which he was owner and occupier. A waggon rope was found in the water near the body. The deceased had been in delicate health for several years.

WITH DOG AND GUN.

PARTRIDGE SHOOTING IN EAST ANGLIA.

Although the weather was favourable on Saturday, in consequence of the harvesting operations Norfolk and Suffolk sportsmen did not turn out in strong force for the opening partridge shooting season. Birds, however, are fairly abundant in some districts, although not very forward. In the Witham district there is no lack of game, and the birds are spoken of as in good order and strong on the wing.

CAMBRIDGE LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

The forms of entry for the Senior and Junior Local, Commercial, and Higher Local Examinations in December next can now be obtained from the local secretaries at the several centres. The examinations will all commence on December 17th. The forms of entry for the Senior and Junior Local Examinations and the Commercial Examinations are to be returned to the local secretaries on or before September 30th; those for the Higher Local Examination on or before October 31st. The regulations for the above examinations may be obtained from the local secretaries at the centres of examination, or from Dr. Keynes, Syndicate Buildings, Cambridge.

SUNDAY MORNING POACHING AT BIXLEY HEATH.

AN IPSWICH LABOURER'S THREAT.

On Wednesday at Woodbridge Sessions, William Fitch, labourer, Ipswich, was charged with trespassing in search of game at Rushmere.—Defendant was seen by Henry and George Howard, gamekeepers, about 6.30 on Sunday morning, in company with three other men and three dogs. The witnesses watched them for a quarter of an hour hunting up Bixley Heath, and on speaking to them about it Fitch picked up a large stone and threatened to split Henry Howard's head open.—Defendant was fined 10s. and £1 11s. 8d. costs, or 14 days' hard labour.

DEPLORABLE STATE OF AGRICULTURE.

ALARMING STORY FROM HERTS.

LOW RENTS AND LOWER PRICES.

During the proceedings at an Agricultural Commission inquiry at Hertford, on Saturday, evidence was given to the effect that rents had been reduced on the average 30 to 40 per cent. The causes of depression were given as free trade and speculation in corn. The Agricultural Holdings Act was pronounced as practically a dead letter, and railway rates were said to be detrimental to agricultural prosperity. It was pointed out that the cost of getting wheat from Baldock, 12 miles from Hertford, was as great as getting it from America. Light railways for Herts and Essex were also advocated. As an instance of reduction in rents, it was pointed out that land formerly 30s. an acre now let for 13s., and as for low prices, it was stated that that afternoon new corn had been sold on Hertford market at 17s. per quarter.

EXTRAORDINARY REVELATIONS FROM A FIRE.

AN ARTIST SKETCHES A DEATH CHAMBER.

EXCITING SCENES.

A slight fire under somewhat peculiar circumstances occurred at St. George's Mansions, Red Lion Square. In an apartment on the ground floor was lying in her coffin, preparatory to removal to Boulogne for interment, the body of a lady who had recently died. The friends wishing to preserve a souvenir of the sad event, commissioned an artist to make a sketch of the death chamber. To enable him the better to proceed with his work, a candle was placed on the window ledge and there left burning. Through opening a door the flame of the candle was blown against the window curtain, which was set alight, but the blaze was easily extinguished by a member of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade from the Theobald's Road station. Among the bereaved friends there was a great consternation, their first thought being the preservation of the body, and they at once removed the coffin into the lobby.

FIGHT AT A FUNERAL.

DISGRACEFUL SCENE AT THE GRAVESIDE.

A SERVICE INTERRUPTED WITH DISGUSTING LANGUAGE.

At Stratford Police Court, Matthew Beeddle, of Bignold Road, Forest Gate, was summoned for assaulting Annie Gleaves, a married woman, of Heyworth Road, Forest Gate.—Complainant said that on August 23rd she went to Ilford Cemetery to a funeral of a grandchild. Defendant was there, and immediately after the ceremony, while witness was near the grave talking to a friend, Beeddle went up to her and deliberately hit her in the mouth. She fell to the ground, and when she got up he again struck her in the face. As a result of the assault, which was absolutely unprovoked, witness had a black eye and her mouth was cut.—For the defence William Jones, of Bethnal Green Road, the father of the child buried, said that during the funeral service Mrs. Gleaves sat on a gravestone near by and interrupted the service by her language. She called out that witness's wife was a "mother murderer, who ought to be rotting in her grave herself." —The Bench said they were satisfied an assault had been committed, and fined defendant 40s. and costs, or a month.—Mrs. Gleaves was next summoned for using abusive language to Martha Beeddle, and was fined 20s. and costs.

WHAT GAY LIFE DID

FOR A SUFFOLK LABOURER.

ROBBING A MASTER AT OTLEY.

William Harvey, labourer, Otley, was charged, at the Woodbridge Petty Sessions on Wednesday, with stealing 37 sheaves of wheat, value £1, the property of Mr. Frederick Miller, farmer, Otley.—Prosecutor stated that on going through his field opposite the prisoner's house, he noticed that some of the sheaves had been removed. On Friday morning he was showed a quantity of wheat by Police-constable Chapman, which he identified as his property. Prisoner's house was about 200 yards from where the shocks of wheat were standing. Prisoner had previously been employed by prosecutor. Early on Saturday morning prisoner came to prosecutor's house and said, "Will you

FORGIVE ME FOR THIS JOB,

master? I have never robbed you before."—Police-constable Chapman said on Friday morning he went to an unoccupied house in possession of the prisoner, about 100 yards from prisoner's dwelling-house, inside of which he found a quantity of wheat straw on the floor of the lower room, also some bundles of straw tied up; upstairs on one of the bedrooms witness found 33 sheaves of wheat. In prisoner's bedroom witness found four more sheaves. After taking him into custody on Saturday morning, prisoner said to witness, "This is all gay life that has done this; I'm a ruined man.— The Bench committed him for trial at the Quarter Sessions.

SCENES AT A DISTRESS LEVY.

BAILIFFS PELTED WITH CABBAGES AND BOTTLES.

ONE STRICKEN UNCONSCIOUS AND ROBBED.

Between 300 and 400 persons were interested spectators the other evening of an exciting scene in Stanhope Street, near the Euston Road, where a bailiff was levying a distress for rent. The scene had its sequel at Marylebone on Saturday, when Catherine Twine, of 30, Seaton Street, and Mary Jane Ellsmore, of 15, Judd Street, were charged with being concerned in stealing a purse containing 3s. from the bailiff, and Twine was further charged with assaulting him. Mr. Rose said while he was levying the distress the prisoners were standing outside hooting, screaming, and making a great disturbance. As he was leaving the house, after he had finished his business,

THEY MADE A RUSH

at him, but Ellsmere seized him by the left wrist, scratched him down the face, and caught hold of his throat, nearly choking him. At the same time Twine put her hand in his overcoat pocket, and took his purse out. She immediately ran away, and he followed her to a house in Seaton Street, where he found her concealed in a room. He called a constable and gave her into custody. Ellsmore was detained by one of his men and taken to the station. Although he had only charged the prisoner with stealing 3s., he had since remembered that the purse contained a £10 note. The purse had not been found. Prisoners were committed for trial. The bailiffs were stoned, and they were pelted with cabbage stumps, bricks, and bottles. One of the bailiffs was also struck insensible.

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A HARLESTON ANTI-VACCINATOR FINED.

On Friday, at Harleston, S. J. Y. Brock, builder, of Alburgh, was fined £1 and costs for refusing to have his child vaccinated.

ANOTHER SPILL AT FELIXSTOWE.

A DRIVER SERIOUSLY INJURED.

As Mr. John Orton, of Ipswich, was being driven through Felixstowe in a dog-cart on Wednesday afternoon, the horse ran away, dashing into Bath Road and upsetting the trap, throwing out both occupants. The driver was thrown on to the kerb, and sustained a severe cut on his head. Mr. Orton was unhurt, but much shaken.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT STOWMARKET.

A HORSE BOLTS ON TO THE RAILWAY.

While one of Mr. Ranson's men named Sheldrake, was taking a rolley down to the Railway Station, Stowmarket, to cart goods into the town, the pin connecting the shafts with the rolley became detached. The horse was affrighted and bolted off on to the railway, where it was secured. Sheldrake was thrown on to the road, and sustained a serious cut on his forehead, and injury to several of his ribs.

£20 FOR A LARK.

A CLERK'S EXPENSIVE AMUSEMENT.

Charles Henry Medcalfe (26), clerk, of 53, St. Germains Road, Forest Hill, was charged at Greenwich with breaking the glass in the fire post at Brockley Rise, and giving a false alarm.—Mr. Scard, for the defence, said the young man had been out for the evening, and deeply regretted his conduct.—Mr. Kennedy imposed a fine of £20, or one month's imprisonment. Medcalfe's father said his son was only a clerk with £100 a year, and asked for a mitigation of the penalty; but Mr. Kennedy said he should always inflict a fine of £20 in such cases as this.

SHOCKING PISTOL ACCIDENT IN SUFFOLK.

A FRESTON BOY'S FINGERS BLOWN OFF.

On Monday night a lad named Frederick Garnham, belonging to Freston, was admitted to the Ipswich and East Suffolk Hospital with his right hand badly smashed; neither the boy nor the relatives who accompanied him to the institution were able to state how the accident occurred. The only definite information obtainable was that the injury had been caused by a pistol. The two smaller fingers were badly smashed, and amputation was performed by Dr. Casley and the house surgeon. The boy will lose nearly half of one hand as the result of the accident.

DESPERATE SUICIDE OF A BOY.

DECAPITATED ON THE G.E.R.

The Essex Coroner held an inquiry on Saturday at the Swan Inn, Hatfield Peverel, touching the death of George Wright, 17, who was killed the previous afternoon, by the 3.20 express from Liverpool Street. It was stated in evidence that the deceased was sitting in a ballast hole, and on the train approaching he got up and ran to the rails and lay down, placing his head on the rail, and was instantly killed. A grandfather of the deceased, it transpired, had committed suicide. The driver of the train did not know he had run over anything till the arrival of the train at Ipswich, when he observed blood on the "guard iron."—Verdict: "Suicide while temporarily insane."

AN IPSWICH POACHER SMARTLY CAUGHT.

50S. 6D. FOR A HARE.

On Monday, at the Ipswich Police Court, William Frost, Bacon's Court, Rope Walk, was summoned for being in unlawful possession of a hare.—On Tuesday afternoon, the Deputy-Chief Constable (Mr. Chas. E. Fisher) and Police-constable Barker, of the County Constabulary, met defendant in King Street, and noticed one of his pockets bulky. The constable searched the defendant, whom he discovered possessed a hare, which had its neck broken.—The defendant stated that it was given to him by a stranger.—A fine of 40s. with 10s. 6d. costs, or a month's imprisonment, was imposed.

DISGRACEFUL AFFAIR AT EYE.

REFLECTION ON THE POLICE.

THE ONLY ROW OF THE YEAR.

The annual Licensing Sessions for the borough of Eye were held on Saturday, Dr. E. G. Barnes presiding. Supt. Barnard, in his report, offered no objection to the renewal of the existing licenses, the houses having been generally well conducted.—The licenses were renewed without comment.—Mr. Short asked Supt. Barnard if anything had been done with regard to a disturbance on Saturday night in Castle Street.— Sergt. Taylor explained that a row took place between two men named Norman and Gibbs, whereby a shop window belonging to Mr. Gissing was broken, but as Mr. Gissing declined to prosecute it would be difficult for the police to prove the case.—Mr. Short said it was a most disgraceful affair, and the police ought to protect the public.—Sergt. Taylor: We do, to the best of our ability. Sergt. Taylor said this was about the only row that had occurred during the year.

TWO LIVES SAVED FOR FOURPENCE.

REMARKABLE ADVENTURE AT FELIXSTOWE.

HOW A KINDLY ACT WAS REWARDED.

Mr. Thomas Eley, boatman, of Felixstowe, is well-known for his unfailing readiness to lend a helping hand to anyone requiring his aid, but his goodness was sorely tried the other day. Eley was out at the Cork Light with a party of excursionists, when the captain drew his attention to a small beach boat some few miles off, in which were a lady and gentleman, apparently drifting out to sea on an ebb tide. Eley, after bringing his party to shore, put off in his sailing boat to the aid of the small boat, and, on coming up to it, found the occupants much exhausted from constant rowing and seemingly making no progress towards shore, except it were to Bawdsey. Eley took the boat in tow and brought it near to Bent Hill, when a protest to a mere "thank you" resulted only in a paltry reward of fourpence!

THE NEW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT.

ITS EFFECT IN THE REVISION COURTS.

A KESSINGLAND OVERSEER PUZZLED.

Business at the Lowestoft Revision Court had not proceeded far on Monday when the question of the Local Government Act and the making of duplicates arose. Under the Act of 1894 the owners' list is a parochial list, and it is also a Parliamentary list, but not a County Council list. The Act requires notes to be placed against occupiers who are also owners, transferring them to Division 3—the women's list in fact—and also marking them "not parochial elector" when they are on the list for the same parish. In Kessingland parish the overseer was himself the subject of one of these notes, and intimated that he was puzzled.—A claim was made in Herringfleet by Mr. F. S. Ellen, of Lowestoft, for the occupation of land in that parish, his object being to get on the parochial register. The claim had not been published, but it was admitted that it was sent in in time.—Mr. Haward only objected on the ground of value.—The claim was ultimately allowed.

SEQUEL TO A SUDBURY SWINDLE.

SALE OF H. C. PRATT'S EFFECTS.

A PRINTING PLANT FOR £95.

Much interest was manifested in the sale on Friday of the furniture, plate, shares, and other effects of the defaulting absentee actuary of the Sudbury Savings Bank, Henry Cronin Pratt. During the day several gentlemen had made offers for the silver presentation plate, but these were refused. The presentation was made to Pratt on the 18th of May, 1893, by the members of the Conservative Club, with other Conservative and Unionist friends, with an address of congratulation on Pratt's birthday and also on recovery from serious illness. A travelling bag was also presented as a mark of the Club's recognition of his lengthened services to the cause it sought to represent, and as a token of the Club's gratitude and esteem. There were other addresses in frames, including

ONE FROM THE MOTHERS' MEETING.

The bidding for the plate started at £30, and on reaching £51 was knocked down to Mr. Henry S. Oliver, of Great Cornard, one of the firm of the Sudbury Brewery. There was scarcely any bidding for the shares. The results were as under:—Fifty £1 shares (16s. paid) in the Freemason's Commercial and Family Hotel Company, Limited, Sudbury; Dr. W. I. Mason, Sudbury, £9. Fifteen £1 shares (10s. paid) in the Victoria Public Hall, Sudbury; Mr. Wrightson, Sudbury, Conservative Agent, £1 1s. Twenty £1 preference shares (15s. paid) in Reginaris, Limited, 11, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.; no bid. Ten £1 shares, fully paid in the *Bury and Norwich Post* and *Suffolk Standard* Newspaper Company, Limited; Mr. Ortewell, ironmonger, Sudbury, £1 12s. 6d. The printing plant was knocked down to Mr. Driver, of Chelmsford, for the low sum of £95.

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WILL OF THE LATE BISHOP PELHAM.

PERSONALTY £13,605.

The will of the Hon. and Right Rev. John Thomas Pelham, 88th Bishop of Norwich, uncle of the present Earl of Chichester, who died, aged 83 years, on June 4th, has been proved by Henry Francis Pelham, Camden Professor of Ancient History in the University of Oxford, the son, and Miss Fanny Pelham, the daughter, of the testator. The gross personalty amounts to £13,605 5s., and the nett to £12,977 12s. 6d.; there are no leaseholds.

DESPAIRED OF REACHING HOME.

A SUICIDE'S SAD STORY.

An inquest has been held at Liverpool on the body of Amil Hendrickson, who arrived in that city from Philadelphia, and went to a boarding-house, where he said he was dying and could not get home. He was seen by a doctor, and ordered to the hospital but refused to go, and on Saturday morning was found dead on the floor of a landing with four wounds on the throat. The Jury returned a verdict of "Suicide during temporary insanity."

DANGEROUS PRACTICE AT THETFORD.

A YOUNG MAN INJURED BY A STONE.

At Thetford Petty Sessions on Monday, George Gayford (16) was charged by Messrs. Burrell and Sons with stone throwing. One of the apprentices in the boilermakers' shop at Messrs. Burrell's Works was struck by a stone and badly hurt in the face. Defendant admitted throwing the stone from the locality of the river, but pleaded that he had no intention to injure anyone. The Bench fined defendant 1s., and intimated that any future case would entail severe punishment.

BURNING FRIENDS ALIVE.

A BURNLEY WOMAN'S REQUITAL.

Mary Healy, *alias* Molloy, was committed for trial at Burnley to the Manchester Assizes, charged with the manslaughter of Nancy Harwood and Mary Ann Nolan, mother and daughter. During a Saturday night brawl the prisoner entered Nolan's house, and was allowed to stay there the night. However, a quarrel took place later, and during it prisoner threw a lighted paraffin lamp, which set Harwood and the daughter on fire. They were removed to the hospital, where they died in a few hours. In throwing the lamp prisoner said, "I'll roast you!"

A RECTOR'S GREAT TROUBLE.

WHILE OUT BUYING BIRTHDAY PRESENTS

HIS DAUGHTER COMMITS SUICIDE.

A melancholy case of suicide was inquired into on Monday at Hannington village, Northamptonshire. On Saturday the Rev. Dr. Coen, the rector, in view of his daughter Ethel's twenty-fifth birthday, drove into Northampton to purchase some presents. During his absence Miss Coen obtained a razor and cut her throat, dying before medical aid could be obtained. The deceased had been confined in an asylum, and was under medical treatment.

ALLEGED DIABOLICAL CRIME.

A STRANGE POISONING CASE.

Harry Knott is under arrest at Worcester charged with administering a noxious drug to George Nicholls, a fellow *employé* at Messrs. Hollands' engineering works, on Saturday. Knott gave Nicholls a bottle of what was apparently Worcester sauce, and asked him to drink. Knott also sipped the mixture, and both became ill. Subsequently Nicholls grew worse, and on medical advice being called he was found in a dying condition. His depositions were taken, and although he has rallied slightly his recovery is doubtful. The mixture is believed to have been spirits of salts.

FOOTBALL IN SUFFOLK.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NORTHERN LEAGUE.

On Saturday a meeting was held at the Caxton Arms, Beccles, to establish a football league of the leading clubs in North Suffolk. The idea originated in the Beccles Caxton Club. Delegates were present from the following clubs:—Beccles College, Beccles Caxton, Lowestoft Town, Halesworth, Bungay Chaucer Press, Leiston and Kirkley. It was resolved that Beccles Caxton, Beccles College, Lowestoft Town, Leiston, Saxmundham, Halesworth, Bungay Chaucer, and Kirkley form a League to be styled the North Suffolk League, and Mr. T. W. Cook was elected secretary. Rules were adopted, and an annual subscription of 10s. 6d. was fixed upon playing members, to be registered 14 days before a League match. Mr. A. K. Hockey was elected president of the League and a hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr. Cook for the trouble he had taken in the preliminaries. The League matches commence at Saxmundham on September 29th, when the home team will be engaged against Leiston.

HE SLIPPED FROM HIS BROTHER'S HAND AND WAS DROWNED.

A CAMBRIDGE STUDENT'S SAD DEATH.

DESPERATE EFFORTS AT RESCUE.

On Sunday Frederick Robert Butler, aged 21, an undergraduate at Cambridge University, was drowned whilst bathing at Dover. The young fellow had been spending his holidays at Dover along with his parents. On Sunday morning he went with his uncle and brother to bathe. Mr. Butler seems to have been on a large pipe which runs out from the shore, when he suddenly slipped out of his depth. The younger brother, a lad about 14, caught hold of his brother's hand, but in the struggle had to let go, and the uncle, not being an expert swimmer, had a narrow escape in trying to reach the young fellow. Mr. Butler is stated to have been a very promising student.

STRUGGLE IN A POLICE COURT

WITH AN ESCAPED CONVICT LUNATIC.

FIVE POLICEMEN DEFIED.

Among a large number of prisoners at Marylebone was a well-dressed young man named Percy Hamilton, who refused to state his occupation. The charge upon which he was arrested on a warrant was for obtaining a small sum by false pretences. Upon being brought into Court he walked quietly into the dock and sat down on a seat provided. The assistant-gaoler ordered him to stand up, but this he blankly refused to do, and upon the officer approaching him he clutched the bars of the dock, and defied the efforts of five constables to remove him.

IN THE MIDST OF THE STRUGGLE,

he cried in a faint voice, "I'll go with him; no one else" (referring to a warder from Holloway Prison who had just come upon the scene). Under the advice of the warder the man was released, and was led quietly from the Court to the cells. Subsequently Detective-Sergt. Fuller, who had charge of the case, entered the witness-box and stated that he had found that about three months ago the prisoner escaped from Colney Hatch Lunatic Asylum. On four occasions he had been certified by the officials to be insane. He was a notorious criminal, had been many times convicted of offences similar to that with which he was now charged, and had three times been sentenced to terms "during her Majesty's pleasure." Mr. Cooke ordered that he should be conveyed back to Colney Hatch under the guardianship of the police.

TERRIBLE BOATING DISASTER.

MANY LIVES LOST.

A FEARFUL STRUGGLE FOR LIFE

AT A NORTHERN WATERING-PLACE.

On Monday morning a terrible accident occurred in Morecambe Bay, not far from the watering-place of Grange-over-Sands. It appears that a sailing boat left Morecambe about half-past ten for Grange, having 25 or 26 persons on board. The boat was in charge of one man named Houghton. The distance is about eight miles. When he had gone about five miles Houghton was about to shift the sail for the purpose of counting the passengers when a strong puff of wind struck the boat and caused it to heel over. The passengers rushed to one side, and the boat immediately capsized. The accident was

WITNESSED FROM THE SHORE

at Grange, three miles away, and from Silverdale, about two miles off. It naturally caused the greatest consternation. Two other boats that happened to be near went at once to the assistance of the unfortunate people who were struggling in the water, and managed to save six or seven of them. All the rest, so far as can be ascertained, lost their lives. There were several children among the party. The place where the boat capsized is regarded as

VERY DANGEROUS BY BOATMEN,

the channel having shifted considerably this summer. Twelve bodies have been recovered and taken to Morecambe. Most of the excursionists were Burnley people who were spending their holidays at Morecambe. Several of the survivors were very much exhausted when they were landed at Moreambe between one and two o'clock in the afternoon, and vigorous means were at once taken to revive them. The boatman Houghton, who is said to be one of the most careful sailors in the town, was amongst those picked up. Several bodies have been picked up, in which pairs have been locked in a deadly embrace.

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WOODBRIDGE BOY'S NARROW ESCAPE

ON REGATTA DAY.

A little boy named Hart had a narrow escape on Wednesday while the Woodbridge regatta was in progress. Whilst playing on Dr. Airy's landing stage, he fell into the water under the steps, and but for the prompt action of C. Upson, might have been drowned. With the exception of a good wetting, he was none the worse for the adventure.

DUKE OF ARGYLL ON STRIKES.

WHAT HE THINKS OF THE SCOTTISH MINERS.

In reply to a correspondent, the Duke of Argyll gives the following expression of opinion regarding strikes:— "I cannot say that strikes are always foolish. But there can be no doubt that the colliers' strike in Scotland during the last ten weeks has been ruinous in its effects all round—most of all to the colliers themselves. It was made in the teeth of economic conditions which rendered success impossible, and under the dominance of ideas which are contrary to the laws of nature on the value of products and of labour."

THUNDERSTORMS IN SUFFOLK.

HAILSTONES LIKE ACORNS.

Storms of thunder and lightning were again prevalent in Suffolk on Wednesday. That striking partiality of rainfall which has been so frequently noted of late was again exemplified. In the eastern part of Ipswich, for instance, the fall was slight compared with the quantity which descended in the western parts of the town. Here hailstones equal in size to acorns were seen. At Woodbridge similar hailstone formations resembled jagged bits of ice. The storm was severe in the district around Southwold, and the rainfall was very heavy.

SEQUEL TO A STOWMARKET ACCIDENT.

AN IPSWICH DEALER TAKES A GLASS TOO MUCH.

George Nunn, who gave his address as Ipswich, appeared before the Stowmarket Justices on Wednesday, and said he was a general dealer, pleaded guilty to being drunk when in charge of a horse and trap, in Ipswich Street, Stowmarket, on the previous evening. The defendant expressed his regret at the occurrence. Meeting a few friends at Bury from Cambridge that day he had taken a glass too much. The Chairman said it was a serious thing for his wife, who would doubtless be laid up a month from the result of the accident. Fined 10s. and 11s. costs.

INCREASED DRUNKENNESS AT SOUTHWOLD.

THE TRADE OPPOSE AN APPLICATION.

The annual licensing session for the borough of Southwold was held on Wednesday, when Superintendent Andrews stated that during the year there had been before the Bench 28 offenders, showing a decrease of 23 on the previous year. Cases of drunkenness showed an increase of three. All the licenses were renewed.— Messrs. H. J. and E. O. Debney, trading as H. J. Debney and Sons, grocers, applied for a beer license for their premises on the South Green. Mr. C. H. Wiltshire (Yarmouth) appeared in support of the application, which was opposed by Mr. H. Chamberlin (Yarmouth), on behalf of several hotel-keepers, and by Mr. J. Mills (Ipswich) on behalf of a number of innkeepers.—The applicant contended that he only desired the license in order to sell bottled beer, but the Bench refused to grant the license.

REVIVAL OF THE WITHAM CORN MARKET.

PROSPECTIVE SUCCESS OF A NEW UNDERTAKING.

Mr. A. P. Clear, of Maldon, has been led, owing to the success which has attended his stock sale at Witham, to erect a building in the sale yard for the purpose of a Corn Exchange, thus reviving the old Witham corn market, which years since was held in the High Street, and more recently in a room at the Spread Eagle Hotel. The building erected by Mr. Clear is of modest pretensions, and is, in fact, a wooden erection, some 50ft. by 15ft., there being room for thirty stands. On Tuesday afternoon, after a capital sale of stock, the company adjourned to the new room, and Mr. Clear explained his motive in erecting the building, Witham being the centre of a large agricultural district, and situated at an important junction on the main line of the Great Eastern Railway. Seventeen of the stands were at once taken.

WOODBRIDGE REGATTA.

A THUNDERSTORM MARS THE EVENT.

This popular event took place on Wednesday. The programme comprised sailing and rowing matches, swimming race, duck hunt, steeplechase, &c., for each of which there was a good number of entries. The arrangements were successfully carried out under the management of Messrs. G. Banyard, J. Bull, R. J. Banyard, A. Everson, and S. Marsh. Mr. G. Banyard acted as starter, and Mr. A. Everson as timekeeper. The duties of hon. secretary were carried out by Mr. F. A. Wright. The proceedings were somewhat marred by a heavy thunderstorm accompanied by hail. The band of the E Company 1st V.B. Suffolk Regiment, under Bandmaster Hopson, performed an excellent programme of music.

RESULTS:—

Pair-oar rowing match for amateurs of Woodbridge, not exceeding 18ft.—1, W. Finney and W. Blake; 2, A. Threadkell and J. Richardson; 3, J. Banyard and H. Hubbard. Match for Woodbridge watermen, row or sail.—1, W. Taylor and C. Taylor; 2, H. Upson and C. Upson; 3, G. Moore and W. Upson. Shovel match for maltsters and porters.—1, W. Finney; 2, A. Green. Rowing match for yachts' dinghys. —1, C. Newson; 2, C. Upson; 3, W. Upson. Rowing match for skiffs (not exceeding 15 ft.) 1st, W. Taylor; 2nd, H. Upson; 3rd, C. Upson. Punt race.—1st, C. Upson; 2nd, A. Gray; 3rd, W. Taylor. Duck hunt. This was the most interesting event in the programme for the spectators. W. Finney was the "duck," and won the event. 100 yards swimming match for boys under 16 years.—1st, F. Hubbard; 2nd, H. Watling; 3rd, A. Fitch. Consolation rowing match.—1st, W. Taylor; 2nd, W. Richardson; 3rd, B. Upson. Steeplechase over about quarter-mile of the Marshes.—1st, G. Stephenson; 2nd. W. Strutt; 3rd, H. Overitt.

"TWO YOUNG FOOLS MASQUERADING ABOUT."

SEQUEL TO THE ESSEX SENSATION.

THE LOVERS IN COURT.

SCATHING CRITICISM BY THE MAGISTRATES

REMARKABLE DETAILS BROUGHT TO LIGHT.

THE GIRL FAINTS IN COURT.

In our last issue we gave particulars of what was described as the strange story of an Essex girl. The matter was fully enquired into, and on Saturday a clerk named Arthur Rowland Hill, aged 22, residing at Clement's Road, Ilford, was brought before the Stratford Magistrates on a charge of attempted murder. The charge was ultimately reduced to one of attempted suicide, and the Chairman on committing the defendant for trial remarked that it was one of the funniest cases ever brought before a Bench of Magistrates. It was merely a case of two young fools masquerading about. It transpired during the hearing of the case that when two bottles of laudanum and a knife were produced by her admirer, Miss Spooner confesses to have taken the affair entirely as a matter of course, and thereafter the pair, according to her statement, wandered off upon what is surely a stranger sentimental journey than was ever conceived by the professional inventor of the marvellous in his wildest moments. They dazed themselves with opium without taking a fatal dose, and in their comparatively lucid moments the swain appears to have attempted with the knife to kill both himself and (by her request) his sweetheart, still in vain. Over what length of time

THEIR SUICIDAL EFFORTS

extended nobody can tell; least of all themselves. The pair were ultimately found by a farmer in a dazed, wounded and bedraggled condition, unaware as to what day it was or even what time of the day. In the light of this case the question of criminal responsibility is more perplexing than ever. Were these young people responsible? For all the practical purposes of life, yes. And yet—clearly the law ought to concern itself less with the punishment of crime than with the safeguarding of the interests of society. But how this lucid principle works out in the present case the Old Bailey authorities must say. It will be interesting to obtain a judicial decision on the question. During the course of the proceedings a very significant letter was read in the Court, the question asked by the prosecuting solicitor was taken by those in Court to imply that he suggested that this lamentable affair was the

OUTCOME OF THE SOUTHEND MURDER.

After reading a number of letters which demonstrated that the girl's people did not approve of the match and how the cooling love was revived the solicitor read the following extract:—"I am anxious to kiss you once again, my dear Emily. I shall never forget you. The murder of that poor girl was indeed sad. What a cowardly thing to do. If he had cared for her, he would have died with her." Mr. Colbeck: What does this latter sentence refer to?—The Southend murder. Had you been speaking about it?—I simply alluded to it in my letter. The result of the cross-examination showed that the female implored her lover to kill her, and that they went out on the night provided with laudanum and knives with the express purpose of putting an end to their existence. One of the cuts of the knife was stated to be over the region of the heart but was stopped by the ribs. During the hearing the girl Spooner fainted in Court, and the proceedings were suspended for an hour and a half.

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A SUFFOLK BAILIFF

AND HIS TRIALS AND TROUBLES.

DODGES HE HAS TO CONTEND WITH.

EXCITING SCENES AND INCIDENTS.

SOME REMARKABLE ARTIFICES.

HOW TENANTS WERE SMOKED OUT.

[BY A "JOURNAL" COMMISSIONER.]

The sun was setting one evening when I met with the bailiff whose experiences I am about to relate, and even through the dull atmosphere of Ipswich there was poured a flood of golden light, which gave a tinge of mellowness to its brick-built and sombre streets. The usual corteous salutations ensued, and the ordinary topics of the day were discussed. Politics, the merits of the Premier, the chances of a Dissolution, and many other subjects of interest were well and lightly touched upon. The conversation then took a personal turn. Mr. —— mentioned to me that he would have to hurry away, as he had still many more calls to make in his capacity of bailiff. "I have heard," I said, "that you have encountered many strange experiences in your calling," and then went on to express the great pleasure it would afford me to hear them. He laughingly acceded, and said:—"Come along with me if you can spare the time, for I have to make a call in one of the poorest districts of Ipswich." It had been a glorious day — such a day as was calculated to renovate the hopes and produce joyous pulsations, but, alas! I went home with a heavy and despondent heart when the twilight was rapidly giving way to the deeper shades of night. Many were the hearts that were seared with the red-hot iron of despairing influence, hearts deadened by the

COLD CHILL OF INDIFFERENCE

and torpidity from the long-continued abuse and neglect of kindness. The hecatombs of those from out of whom all sense of order and hope had been crushed was sad to contemplate. Many have suffered much and heavily. They have become so chafed and miserable from privation, from sufferings, from pity and relief too long withheld, that they have become despairing and desperate. We had now reached the neighbourhood to which Mr. —— was desirous of going. He had that day been instructed to put in a distress warrant in a court that was unfamiliar to him. He was not much acquainted with the neighbourhood. After several inquiries and going astray three or four times, we encounted in a little dingy alley, two lads in tattered garments, with dirt-begrimed faces, whose separate ages might vary from ten to twenty. They were, with all the playful buoyancy of youth, engaged in a warm contest of throwing stones at one another, and applying appropriate adjectives to each others' character. Interrupting for a moment their scientific recreation—an act that nearly cost Mr. —— a severe blow on the leg from a rather badly directed stone, we enquired of them the way to our destination. Now, if you want to heal the passions and jealousies of two conflicting parties in poor neighbourhoods, ask them to direct you to a certain spot, and, lo! you will

CEMENT PEACE IN A MOMENT.

It does not necessarily follow that the peace will be maintained for any length of time, but it may be taken as a cast-iron rule that union will be effected. So it came to pass that the two at once ran up to us and enquired our pleasure. "Lor, Sir," said one, "you can't miss it. Take the first to the right, then the third to the left, the second to the right again, and you will be sure to find it." It was in all likelihood due to that quick perception of human character which is at once the privilege and pleasure of a pressman that I instinctively felt that the two grinning youths before me were telling a lie. "My good fellow," I said, "we are in a hurry. If you would show us where the place is we should feel much obliged." With this a small piece of legitimate coin changed hands. "Let me see," said one of the lads, with a musing air, "what number, Sir? I'll show you directly." And with these two escorts, whistling "Git yar 'air cut," and other fashionable tunes with no mean skill, we soon reached our destination. It was a long and narrow court where the sun never penetrated to the pavement, and along which a good gust of wind, I should imagine, but rarely careered up between the confined area. Rubbish lay about the court and water between the cracks in the flags, and the paper in most of the houses, as revealed through the open doors, hung in folds from the walls, and in some places had evidently disappeared for years, for the plaster was black with grease and smoke. We arrived just in time to see the

CONTENTS OF A BUCKET

launched over what proved to be a rent collector. The woman screamed with laughter on observing the result of her action, and loudly called to the neighbours to behold her handiwork. Men, women, and children—pinched up, wizened-looking, poorly-clad people they were. The action of the woman in question acted like putting a match to a powder train. They all directed jeering remarks to the drowned collector, and if he had not beaten a hasty retreat violent hands would undoubtedly have been laid on him. "It is no use attempting to levy a distraint in this place to-day," said Mr. ——; "it would not be safe. They are like a lot of mad people, and would mob anyone that should dare to attempt to demand rent." So we went to another street a short distance away, but before I go any farther it would be well to detail the sequel to this outrage. On the day following a bailiff was sent to take possession of the house. In addition to the woman, the husband and five children resided in the house. The bailiff demanded an entrance, but no notice was taken of him. Two days passed and no access could be gained. The rent collector, so Mr. —— told me, became impatient, and told the bailiff to take the people out by hook or crook. He was an ingenious bailiff, and during the night he set a companion to watch the doors while he

STUFFED THE CHIMNEY

with shavings. Early next morning the bailiff and the rent collector were on the spot to watch developments. As the morning wore on the noise of coughing in the house was very audible. The plan was to smoke the tenants out, but the bailiff's manœuvre was outmanœuvred. He had forgotten that the smoke would escape through the windows if facilities were given it. This the tenant at length realised, and dashing one of the bedroom windows open there rolled forth a dense volume of smoke, so much so that Mr. —— afterwards told me that the bailiffs marvelled that the occupants could have endured it so long. These two worthies—the bailiff and the indignant collector—put their heads together again, and the result was that the collector disappeared, but returned in a few minutes with a pipe, which he had crammed with cayenne, and the contents he discharged into the house through the stem of the pipe. This, Mr. —— assured me, secured the end in view. The children coughed and sneezed dreadfully. Human nature was not proof against cayenne, and the besieged capitulated. Their furniture was turned into the street and the house locked up and the windows nailed to prevent re-entry. The rent collector had the best of the laugh after all, but it was a poor revenge. In connection with bailiffs Mr. —— had a number of incidents to tell. He at first said that there were so many that he hardly knew which to relate first—in fact the circumstance of putting in bailiffs was of such frequent occurrence that the particular incidents which had from time to time come across his notice were somewhat obscured. One by one, however, the events shaped themselves in his memory until they all stood clear and as well defined as if the events had been of recent occurrence. "I remember once," he said "having to instruct bailiffs to levy a

DISTRESS IN A HOUSE IN STOKE.

The bailiffs took possession all right, and made an inventory of the furniture. This having been satisfactorily accomplished they locked and nailed up the doors and windows, with the exception of the bedroom window. Next morning the bailiffs returned with a pony and cart with which to remove the furniture, but to their chagrin and dismay found the house empty. It turned out on investigation that the unfastened window was noticed by the defaulting tenant, who secured a ladder during the night, and obtaining access to the house through this loophole, cleared all his goods and chattels. Another good case is that in which a woman is concerned. It occurred in some old property near St. Peter's Dock, and for coolness and presence of mind I never met its equal. I had given instructions for a distress to be levied. The bailiff enquired of a woman standing at a door where a certain person lived. Noticing the writ in his hand, the woman addressed at once divined his purpose. She was the person required, but with a composure that completely deceived the 'bum,' she told him that she had only just removed into the house, and that he had better enquire next door. The bailiff did as he was directed, and you may imagine his astonishment when informed that he had just been addressing the woman he required. Needless to say that when he returned and knocked at the house he did not obtain admittance, and after hanging about for three days it was found advisable to withdraw the bailiff, as the furniture in the house, even if realised, would not cover expenses. The bailiff had a rather interesting time, for every day she amused herself, by applying her fingers

TO HER NASAL ORGAN

at the bedroom window to him, to the evident amusement of the urchins and indeed of the adults of the neighbourhood, whose great delight it is to jeer at a bailiff. I came across an extraordinarily constituted mortal one day in Waterloo Street. The party in question was threatened with the bailiff if he did not pay his rent. The fellow immediately started to smash up the furniture. First the crockery went, then the clock, after which the chairs, and I expect every valuable thing in the house would have been subjected to the same rough treatment had I not brought in a few people who dragged him out of the house. Sometimes the bailiffs, who are usually sharp men, are outwitted by the simplest devices. A case in point occurs to me. The bailiffs laid siege to a house for about ten days and ultimately got in, but before they had been in the house ten minutes the tenant commenced whistling for a dog which he pretended was upstairs. The bailiffs beat a hasty retreat, and on getting into the open the tenant slammed the door behind them and locked it. He then amused himself by making faces at them. The bailiffs did not again succeed in ousting him, for the tenant carefully

BARRED EVERY DOOR

and refused to answer to any persons of any description, fearing that they were bailiffs in disguise." So much for the bailiff stories. Mr. —— and I in a few minutes reached a street where he had to make several calls. A weeping woman answered the door at one house and narrated a sad story of her daughter. Accustomed as I was to scenes of sorrow and misery I rarely witnessed mental affliction equal to hers. Her child—her only child—the support of her old age, driven to desperation at the wretched return she received for her labour, had struck work, and evidently, in a fit of temporary insanity, turned her aged mother into the street. The people of the house in which she was staying had taken compassion on her, and received her into their home. On the state of affairs being represented to Mr. —— he at once repaired to the house from which the poor woman had been expelled. On knocking at the door the daughter answered the summons. She immediately launched a torrent of abuse on his head. When this had somewhat subsided, he asked her if she intended to pay the rent. She replied to the query by breaking into a torrent of blasphemy too horrible to be repeated; it was as if seven devils and more had possession of her soul. When she became somewhat calmer Mr. —— again inquired if she intended to pay the rent. "No, she would not, and neither did she intend to vacate the house." "Your mother," observed Mr. ——, "has just become

POSSESSED OF A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY."

With a terrible imprecation she ran off, and Mr. —— went into the house and cleared the few articles of furniture out into the yard, including a sewing machine. This accomplished, he closed the doors and nailed up the windows, and he had barely completed his task when she came back, only to find that she had been deceived. Said Mr. —— as we left the woman throwing stones through the windows, "That is the only way to get them out; it is very hard, but I have to do it. Sometimes I feel very deeply for the wretched people, yet what else can I do? I learned a few days afterwards that the woman was removed to the Suffolk County Asylum. Her mind had given way under the terrible strain. The dodges some people are up to would do credit to a Philadelphia lawyer, and it has been a case of diamond cut diamond many a time. When I have wanted to levy a distress I have sent a registered letter and been on hand when the postman delivered it. Sometimes I have got in then, but oftener not, for the door is usually kept 'on the chain' when the bums are expected. 'The front door chain' is the bailiff's greatest obstacle. I have tried sending hampers to the debtor's house, and being there when the carrier landed, but I have been mortified by seeing them refused—by seeing them

DRAWN UP TO THE BEDROOM WINDOW

by a rope, or by seeing them lifted over the backyard wall. I once managed to effect an entry into a woman's house who had baffled me for months. I went round disguised selling remnants of calico. I stood in the street calling out 'Calico, fine calico, a penny a yard.' Of course, everyone opened their doors; amongst them was the woman I wanted to catch. I was opposite the house, and as soon as I saw her I went straight up to her, and said, 'Here, misses, look at this. It's calico from a fire—a salvage lot. It's grand stuff—a penny a yard,' and held out the cloth for her to look at. She examined it and the neighbours flocked round. 'I can't sell more than six yards to any one person, so hurry up and make up your minds. I've only three dozen yards left.' My friend said, 'I'll have half a dozen.' 'Right,' said I; 'Just let me come inside, so that I can put it on a table and measure it.' She opened the door, I walked in, and told her who I was. Then the row began. I never got such a tongue-walking in all my life. Talk about a free fight among

CATS, HYENAS, AND PANTHERS,

it wouldn't be in it. But they quieted down at last, after they saw the game was up, and in a couple of hours I was paid out. But they didn't get their calico you may be sure." "But I suppose you have other than the poor to levy on at times?" "Not by a lot. I once levied a distress on a big man not far from High Street in a curious style. His coachman was always on the watch, and though there were four executions out against him, none could be put in. I determined to manage it, so one day I got a friend of mine in London to send a telegram to the debtor saying a box of oranges was on the way to him at present. In two hours after I drove up with a mate and the oranges. We went up to the back door, which was readily opened, and in we walked with the oranges and two warrants as well. The oranges cost us 6s. 10d., but we didn't mind that. We got our money. I have got into houses in the guise of a sweep, as a gas meter inspector, and as a medical man. In the last case I have come

'TO VACCINATE THE BABY.'

If there was no baby there, there were sure to be plenty in the neighbourhood, and the woman would open the door to come out and show me where they lived. Then the bubble burst. Rows? Yes, no end of them. I have been thrown out, assaulted with all sorts of things, from chair legs and pokers down to pint cups and boots, but as a rule, especially with the genuine poor, the people have yielded to the inevitable and put the best face on the trouble that they could. I never used to be hard on the debtor where it was really a case of poverty—where the spirit was willing, but the pocket weak. I have turned a blind side to a good few things, and have seen the clock, or the best bed, or the armchair, or the parlour carpet taken away, and been dumb many a time. It's the shabby genteel that are the worst to deal with. They'll promise and lie to you and cheat you until human nature cannot stand it, and if you do help them a bit they'll curse you till all's black the first chance they get. By the way, I remember having a funny experience that will be a novelty to your readers. I was in possession of a house in Woodbridge Road, and I never felt so ashamed of my calling in my life. The husband was ill in bed, and in my mind seemed almost ready for a journey to the graveyard, and there were five children. Well,

THE STATUTORY FIVE DAYS

were nearly up, when a letter came from the brother of the sick man, saying he had just landed at Plymouth and was on his way to Ipswich. What was to be done? Tell him of their position they would not, they said. Would I ask my principal to give them a few days' grace? Yes, I did, and he was willing. Then how to account for my presence in the house? Would I pose as the sweetheart of Edith, the eldest girl? Well, as Edith was pretty and I was without encumbrance, I didn't mind. Next came the question of ways and means. I was taken into the family council, and suggested the pawnshop. That was useless, as a bundle of pawntickets proved. The wife managed to sell something which brought in ten shillings, Edith's wages were seven shillings, and I lent them £1. Funny thing for a bailiff to do, wasn't it? But we are not all stoney-hearted. The brother came, and a very good reception he got. I was introduced to him as an engineer from Sunderland, and the affianced of Edith. He stayed two days, discovered to some extent that things were not very rosy, and when he went away left £50, and gave me his promise to find me a berth in Russia, where he was going. Debts were paid, the sick man—

SICK FROM WORRY AND ANXIETY

—got better, and my engagement with Edith was broken off. She *was* a pretty girl, too, was Edith." "Quite a romance. But what about the berth in Russia?" "Well, I wrote thanking the uncle, but explained that all was over between his niece and myself. Bailiffs don't meet with such pleasant happenings as that very often, I can assure you. There was a case recorded in a newspaper which gives you the other side of the picture. Two bailiffs having for some little time failed to levy the goods of a man, were one day astounded to find the yard gate and back door open. Walking in, they told the debtor they would give him a couple of hours in which to find the money, and meanwhile they pulled up their chairs to the fire in the front room and commenced smoking. The man went into the kitchen, closing the door after him, and quietly proceeded to screw up the back door, the front door and the windows having been similarly treated before the admission of the bailiffs. His next proceeding was to go upstairs. There he crept on to a ladder held by some sympathising friends, and screwed the window fast after him. He and two friends got on the roof and lowered down into the fire before which the bailiffs were sitting,

A BAG CONTAINING SULPHUR

and other noxious ingredients, putting over the chimney, to prevent the egress of the fumes, a bag of straw. The unfortunate bailiffs, half suffocated, made desperate efforts to get out, and at length broke one of the panes of glass in the front window, but a crowd which had gathered, and which was enjoying the fun immensely, held up significantly a number of brooms, clothes props, and other weapons. Eventually, they broke through the back window and made their escape, vowing vengeance. About three o'clock next morning, however, the goods were removed; and consequently the sufferers were completely sold. When you distrain for taxes you adopt rather more peremptory measures than when you levy for rent on an ordinary debt. If you are on a regular job, and you leave the premises or are turned out, you have to get in again the best way you can; but with the Queen's taxes you can smash open the door, if necessary, but in the presence of a constable, and in 'the Queen's name.' A good deal is done in the Queen's name that her Majesty little knows of." "And what does a distraint like that cost the debtor?" "Well, here is an old warrant, so you can see for yourself." This is the document, reduced:—

V. R.

To M______________________________

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Distraining Officer.

—"But people generally pay up before they will let their goods go. It is only the very poor that will see their 'sticks' sold, and for the poor the way of life is very, very rough."—It is indeed.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

MISS BRADDON'S STAGE RECOLLECTIONS.

THE ROMANTIC MARRIAGE OF AN ACTRESS.

AUTUMN SEASON AT IPSWICH LYCEUM.

THE CREATION AT LEISTON.

The Ipswich Lyceum Theatre opens on Monday for the autumn season. As we have already announced, Mr. Ben Greet's Comedy Company will have the privilege of making the first bow to the public. Mr. Greet's combination is so popular in Ipswich and East Anglia that it is but fitting that they should open the theatre season here. We have seen a list of the names comprising the company, and can at once declare that the public will not meet with any disappointment, for the various *rôles* have been distributed to names that are very familiar in the theatrical world. The following is next week's programme:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and special *matinée* on Saturday, "Sowing the Wind"; Thursday, Lord Lytton's celebrated comedy, "Money"; Friday, the great London success from the Garrick Theatre, as recently performed before her Majesty the Queen, "Diplomacy"; Saturday, "Masks and Faces."

Playgoers who have not seen the Ben Greet Company in Lytton's "Money" should not miss the opportunity when this fine old comedy is given on Thursday next, at the Lyceum. Dressed in the costumes of the date when the action of the play takes place, a practice originated by Mr. Greet, and highly commended by Mr. Henry Irving, who saw the Company a week or two ago, it goes remarkably well and well bears seeing again.

On Monday next, at the Works Hall, Leiston, *Haydn's* oratorio, "The Creation," will be performed, and also previously (to-day) at Aldeburgh, in the Jubilee Hall. The chorus and orchestra will consist of about 150 performers, who have been assiduously trained for several months past by Mr. Charles Ganz, the conductor. The solo vocalists will include—Madame Emily Squire (soprano), of the Handel Festival; tenors, at Aldeburgh, Mr. L. P. Addison (amateur), and at Leiston, Mr. Bernard Lane (of the Norwich Festivals); bass, Mr. Franklin Clive (of the provincial festivals); at the piano, Mrs. Todd. This is without doubt the first time that a musical programme containing a great composer's oratorio and the names of such talented *artistes* has been presented in the surrounding district within a radius of many miles, and it is anticipated that at both performances crowded audiences will attend, as already most of the seats have been booked in advance, and very few available tickets remain for disposal. Special trains in connection with the two performances will run from Ipswich and intermediate stations.

Sir Arthur Sullivan's intended experiment to run "Ivanhoe" as a concert piece during the coming season of the Dublin Musical Society is a very daring enterprise. He cannot, of course, look forward to achieving very much success with it. The splendid music will all be there, but the adventitious circumstances which add to the illusion—the acting, the scenery, the fine stage effects—will be all gone. In the case of opera, the words and stage setting on one side and the music on the other are an indissoluble entity. Charming passages there are where the music is everything, and the words add nothing to it; but, as a rule, the production is an organic whole, and no part can be divorced from the other without being ruined in the process. There are passages, for instance, in Gilbert's operas, where the bright, sparkling, or energetic melody will lose all its meaning unless accompanied by the vigorous action of the performers on the stage. This connot be had on the concert platform, and I fear Sir Arthur will find his experiment a disappointment.

Miss Braddon's recollections of the stage go back to the time when she was three years of age. She was then taken to St. James's Theatre. Breathless at the wonders of the fairyland presented before her baby eyes, she began to cry, and was taken home. Like Goethe's autobiographical volumes, entitled "Poetry and Truth," from his life, some of Miss Braddon's baby recollections—she has others still more wonderful at six years of age—are not so much recollections of her own as later hearsay stories about herself, which are now indistinguishable from her own memories of events. But the experience begun thus early has continued till the present time.

Some of her best novels have been dramatised with the greatest success, and even several of her own dramatic productions have held the stage very well. The reception which her plays of "Griselda" and "Genevieve" have met with should be an encouragement to women of genius to try their hand at writing for the stage. This is one department of male enterprise wherein the woman writer has not yet entered into appreciable competition with men; but looking at the large number of male failures and the general poverty of the pieces which the male dramatists are at present producing, there is room either for the old-fashioned authoress with a highly-wrought love story, or for the New Woman with her neurotic problems.

The "Gaiety Girl" Company have sailed for America and Australia on a twelve months' tour. This popular piece is not, however, to be withdrawn from the London boards. After this week it will migrate to Daly's Theatre, Leicester Square, to make room at the Prince of Wales's for Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Osmond Carr's new opera. The company goes out in the highest of spirits and with the brightest of hopes. That it will command the same success and popularity in the States and the Australian colonies as it has obtained in London is beyond all doubt. The cast will consist of nearly the whole of the original company.

The marriage of Justin Huntley M'Carthy and Cissie Loftus does not come as a surprise. Young M'Carthy has been on the marrying lists for a long time; and more than once I believe he has been on the point of working himself off. Miss Loftus, who, among her patronymics, boasts the name of Brown, has youth, beauty and talent enough (as a mimic) to command a salary of some £60 a week, while young M'Carthy dabbles agreeably in journalism, drama and literature. So the young couple ought to be happy. They have my best wishes. But will the public, who admire Miss Loftus's mimicry, like to think of this demure young lady as a potential matron?

Theophile Gautier pointed out long ago that the actress's true lover, the entity for whom she reserves all her smiles, and to whom she wafts all her kisses, is the public, and that the latter is apt to be jealous of any favouritism shown to an individual. Well, let us hope the public will be generous, and love Miss Loftus's art none the less because her heart is given to one assiduous admirer.

MR. EVERETT'S FRIENDS.

AN INTERESTING ASSOCIATION.

HOW THEY SPEAK OF ONE ANOTHER.

If any of the readers of the *Ipswich Journal* happened to come across that very charming and instructive correspondence between those amiable and interesting gentlemen, Mr. O'Donovan Rossa, Mr. Michael Davitt, and "Red Jim," must not only have been thoroughly disgusted, but at the same time truly thankful that the House of Lords stepped in to prevent the Government of the Emerald Isle being handed over to such a quarrelsome trio. Now, is it not marvellous that a Government can take such queer specimens of men by the hand, pat them on the back, and try to tax Englishmen to pay such creatures, beside wasting nineteen months of valuable time in trying to bolster up and force down the throats of all honourable and respectable citizens of this country such disreputable and atrocious measures as Home Rule, Evicted Tenants Bill, and other abominations? It strikes me the marvel is not at an end in connection with the Government alone, for it is not surprising that men of Socialistic, Atheistic, and other 'istic principles, forming the Government, should cordially agree with men who

DETEST ANYTHING LIKE MORALITY

or respectability, but that such a thoroughly conscientious and ultra right-up gentleman as the honourable member for the Woodbridge Division should regard Rossa, Davitt, and Red Jim (McDermott) as dear old chums, and try his utmost to tax his old Suffolk neighbours in order to enable him to purchase the support of those three inestimable gentlemen on the other side of St. George's Channel, is something more than wonderful. The stern vigilance of Tacket Street must be slumbering. Just observe, for one moment, the charming characteristics of Rossa, Davitt, and Red Jim. O'Donovan Rossa, the other day in Dublin, imputed to Mr. Michael Davitt that he "had not the courage to fire a hay-stack." Mr. Davitt was full of wrath at such an imputation, and retaliates on Rossa as

BEING A SPY

in the pay of the British Government—(Mr. Everett's Government — truly respectable, very agreeable to Tacket Street); then Red Jim challenged Michael to prove his imputation, and offered to pay him £2,000 if he did, but Davitt says he thinks an action for libel will pay him better than the £2000 of "his infamous blood money for a negative character of comparative villainy." This is a specimen of the amiable dispositions of gentlemen in whose hands Mr. Everett would entrust the welfare of old Ireland, and is awfully riled with the House of Lords because it is far too honourable and loyal to place the prosperity and happiness of the people in jeopardy. No doubt, during the parliamentary recess we shall have

THE RUSHMERE JOVE HURLING

his thunderbolts in little paltry villages against the good old peers of England. The beauty of it is the Rushmere thunderbolts are very harmless, and may perhaps astonish a labourer for half an hour, but will be charmingly interesting to chat over by our firesides in winter, and afford us a continual supply of mirth and merriment. I should advise the Duke of Grafton, Marquis of Bristol, Earl Cadogan, Earl Stradbroke, Lord Henniker and other noble lords to make friends with the honorable member for the Woodbridge Division before he puts out his strength and annihilates them entirely.—Yours,

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NOTES ON POLITICS.

ANOTHER RADICAL REVOLT IN PROSPECT.

THE PROJECTED ANTI-ROSEBERY CANDIDATES.

MORE DISUNION IN THE GOVERNMENT.

There is a story current in the political clubs here that a number of well-known Gladstonian politicians have lodged a formal protest against the tactics of the Gladstonian organisers in connection with the Leicester election. They have, in fact, declared openly that the conduct of organisers in sending a man down there who runs counter to the most approved ethics of latter-day trades unionism is fatuously unwise. It must be remembered, in order to appreciate the significance of the protest, that many Gladstonian members have now for several months been striving in the most assiduous fashion to prevent a widening of the gulf between Gladstonianism and trades unionism. The present incident has thus come at the most inauspicious moment. It has only served to give their protestations a false appearance, and to convict them of a wanton desire to deceive. Anything more absolutely undesirable could not well be conceived. Some of the members to whom I allude have not hesitated to describe it as the crowning folly of Schnadhorstianism.

There is a great likelihood of Mr. Labouchere, after all, taking some very definite step in order to force the hand of Lord Rosebery. It is well known that the "Christian member" has long been possessed with the idea that the best way in which to accomplish this is to run a series of independent, or rather anti-Roseberian, candidates. He has not pushed the desire with any vigour because of his very adequate comprehension of the fact that if he did this he might spoil his own game. However, the danger of premature action has now passed. The moment has come for a very vigorous and decided step, and that step will, in the opinion of the National Liberal Club, have its expression in an assertive number of candidates after the Labouchere fashion. Of course Northampton—which has long since tired of that harmless mediocrity, Sir P. Manfield—may be expected to meet the hon. member's wishes in this respect.

The visit of Sir William Harcourt to the Continent is of much more importance to the Gladstonian party than some of its extreme members, who grumbled at his departure before the prorogation, can have imagined. On the results of his treatment by the eminent oculist of Wiesbaden depends the continuance of the Chancellor of the Exchequer as Leader of the House of Commons, and indeed in office at all. Sir William's eyesight has given him much trouble of late, and the statements about his intended resignation, though based at the time on dissatisfaction at not securing the Premiership, were largely due to the condition of his organs of vision. Sir William Harcourt is afflicted with impaired sight just as Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was in 1887. In that year the Conservative statesman resigned the Chief Secretaryship for Ireland and ceased to be a member of the Government on the advice of specialists. He, too, went to Wiesbaden, and the result of absolute rest was to restore him to almost perfect health, and admit of his re-entry into Lord Salisbury's Cabinet as President of the Board of Trade. Sir William Harcourt will abide implicitly by the orders he receives by those he is consulting, and should retirement from the cares of Ministerial life—temporary or permanent—be enjoined, the directions will be obeyed.

There is great probability of further disunion in the Government over the naval question. There is no doubt that the Lords of the Admiralty are resolved on taking very decisive and emphatic steps in order to moderate, if possible, the danger arising from the dearth of seamen. There is equally no doubt that Lord Spencer will be anxious to carry out the policy suggested. However, well-known naval men anticipate that the announcement of any virile or resolute policy will induce the most relentless animosity from Lord Spencer's colleagues. Though they now take the most remarkable credit for the additions to the navy, it is well known that they resolutely opposed them until Lord Spencer threatened to resign. It was the desire to save the Government, and not the navy, which induced the concession of Lord Spencer's demands. The point is—will they agree to a second concession? Nobody believes they will, and then Lord Spencer will send in his resignation. The fact is that the Government does not care a rap for the navy.

Lord De Ramsey, the president of the Wisbech Division Conservative Association, has issued a letter expressing his great regret that Col. Loyd, M.P., finds it obligatory on account of private reasons to withdraw from his candidature for the division. A meeting of the Central Committee will shortly be convened to receive Colonel Loyd's formal withdrawal and to make arrangements to secure a candidate to represent the Conservative party. Colonel Loyd, who now sits for Chatham, has just been appointed commanding officer of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion Royal Warwickshire Regiment. He had been before the constituency only a few months.

The writs for the Leicester election were forwarded to the law offices by the Mayor, Alderman Hart, on Monday. The Mayor endorsed the writs as follows:—"Mr. Broadhurst in place of Mr. Picton, and Mr. Hazell in room of Sir James Whitehead." The Mayor informed a Press representative that he had taken the best advice before endorsing the writs, and said the validity of the election would now have to be fought out in Parliament.

ANNUAL SHEEP FAIR AT BURY.

GREAT SALES OF SUFFOLK RAMS.

The annual sheep fair at Bury St. Edmund's, on Tuesday, was well attended. Much interest centred in the sale by Messrs. Simpson and Son, at their Auction Mart, where about 110 Suffolk rams, 25 long-woolled rams, and 1,400 Suffolk half-bred ewes and lambs were brought to the hammer. Amongst the Suffolk rams, the top price realised was 11 gns., given by Mr. W. Staples for a two-shear, Moulton Don IV., sent by Mr. H. Northend, of Moulton. Mr. H. Meeking purchased one of Mr. P. Eagle's Suffolk ram lambs for 7 gns., and another was bought for Mr. Gurteen at 6½ gns. Other equally satisfactory prices were realised. Amongst the Suffolk ewes, 66s. per head was the top price given for a score of superior Suffolk shearlings, bred by Mr. Victor Paley. A like sum was given per head for a score bred by Mr. H. Northend.

THE AUTUMN SEASON AT ALDEBURGH.

With the commencement of the autumn season at Aldeburgh a remarkable change has taken place in the weather—quite summer-like. The old borough has been nothing but one round of gaiety since the visitors came amongst us. The "Socials" have played their part well, and we could have wished for them a larger share of patronage. But then hundreds go golfing, and after late dinner they take some moving. The Shipwash lightship received a visit from the Socials on Sunday, and it was gratifying to see the boat taking in newspapers, fruit, vegetables, &c., as a gift to the crew. After getting the "big fiddle" and the rest of the band, a start was made to the old air, "A Life on the Ocean Wave," and although some distance had to be covered, the lightship was soon boarded. But alas! the vagaries of the sea respect no person, and soon Fred. Russell was on his beam ends, quickly followed by Oliver and Richardson. On Monday the Socials were assisted by Mr. Fred. Everitt, from Mr. C. Ganz's Socials at Broadstairs, and who fairly brought down the house, and it was certainly the best night the Socials have had. On Tuesday evening a smoking concert was given in the Jubilee Hall. The

SOCIALS' SMOKING CONCERT

was well supported by not only locals, but also the visitors, who assisted, and it had a remarkable amount of "go" about it. Lieut.-Col. S. Smyth presided. Messrs. Mallett Jones, Charles Ganz, Sergt. Beart, Gunr. Haywood, Charles Pallant, the Chairman, and a banjo sketch by a visitor, and a cornet solo, "The Lost Chord" by Mr. Oliver, and a piccolo solo by Mr. Richards, of the Lyceum Theatre, together with the Socials' band, formed some of the musical programme; whilst Mr. Capper, the whistler, gave his interesting sketches. It was left for Wednesday evening, the last night of the Socials, to be the crowning point. The Jubilee Hall was literally crammed. The principal attraction was the remarkably interesting performances of the Davidson Family (violins, violoncello, and piano), the overtures simply being demanded over and over again. Mr. Alfred Capper's thought-readings it is impossible to describe, and ought to be seen to be really appreciated. Mr. Capper was taken from the room and blindfolded, and brought in, and immediately he proceeded to find articles hidden at different parts of the room. The crowing point was reached when one of the Committee selected three ladies who were in his thoughts, these being also communicated to the rest of the Committee. Mr. Capper was brought into the room blindfolded, and immediately he pointed out the three ladies, whose names Mr. Capper never had heard nor even seen before. Cable, the coxswain of the lifeboat, one of the Committee, was next

ASKED TO COMMIT A MURDER,

by stabbing some person with a knife, then hide the weapon. Capper being brought in blindfolded, proceeded the same as Cable did to stab the victim, he immediately found her, and went straight for the fatal weapon. This simply brought down the house, Capper bringing the murderer back to his seat. Surely this marvellous man ought to be placed on the staff of Scotland Yard with a splendid salary. It was late before the evening closed with "Auld Lang Syne," and with it the third year of the Socials. The band remains at Aldeburgh for some days, and outside free concerts are given daily at the pier. They also assist at the "Creation" to-day, at Aldeburgh, and Leiston on Monday, which promises to be a grand success. On Sunday next sacred entertainments will be given on the Shipwash light vessel. We understand the people of Aldeburgh are desirous of acknowledging the good services and great talent of this young musician, Mr. Charles Ganz, and that a testimonal is to be presented to him when the "baton" is taken up at the "Creation" showing how hard he has worked in so short a time to train nearly 200 voices.

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ART AND LETTERS.

RISE AND DECLINE IN BOOK VALUES.

PENALTIES OF MESSAGES.

PROTESTS OF IBSEN AND TOLSTOI.

M. Mallarme's scheme for diverting some of the profits of a successful book after the completion of its term of copyright from the publishers, who now become sole owners, to a Literary Fund, is supported in the camp of Barabbas, by Mr. Frederick Macmillan. The Bedford Street publisher makes an amendment proposing that "at the completion of the statutory period of copyright the author or his representatives should have the power of claiming an extension of copyright for a stated time on payment of a fixed sum, and that this extension should be continually renewable at the expiration of each term on a similar payment."

The period, Mr. Macmillan suggests, might be fixed at ten years, and the fee for extension of copyright at £100. The author or his representative would then have to consider by how much the annual profits were likely to exceed £10, and act accordingly. Thus, "the great writers of the future would not feel, as those of the past have had to do, that they were the producers of the only kind of property that was not heritable." The sums derived from these fees, Mr. Macmillan adds, might be handed over for administration to the Council of the Royal Literary Fund. Such is his plan, which appears to us to be very well worthy of serious consideration.

The French bibliophile, M. Octave Uzanne, has been prophesying away like a red-faced Nixon in a manner that must be very disturbing to other book lovers who put faith in his words. There will soon, he has declared, be no more printed books at all—books, that is to say, which are books. The stories and essays and poems of the future will reach the authors' public not through the eye but the ear. Instead of buying volumes we, or our great grandchildren, will go away from the stall or the library with little wax cylinders in our pockets, and when the time comes for recreation we shall insert these in the phonograph and listen as the work is reeled off in the very tones of its creator. Writing will then, it is assumed, become easier, because the moving inflexions of the narrator's voice will atone for any laxity of style. Sometimes, we fear, the book of the future will be "vox et preterea nihil."

In order to prepare themselves for this new audience, authors must speedily set about acquiring the rudiments of elocution. When the phonogram takes the place of the book, it will be the most seductive speaker who will be the most popular. The squeaky-voiced romancist, no matter how enthralling his story to the eye, will have small chance when the ear is to adjudicate. And the poet with an impediment will starve. Alas for the gentle Elia of the future! or rather, alas for them who are denied him by reason of his stutter! But, after all, there is no call to be grieved by M. Uzanne's forecast. No phonogram, however entrancing its tones may be, can ever affect the dominion of the printed page.

Mr. R. English, of the British Museum, has compiled some voluminous statistics as to the prices of novels from 1750 to the present day. These will appear in the next number of the "Author," and will have considerable interest in view of the controversy as to the three volume novel. In 1750 "Tom Jones" was published in four volumes at 3s. a volume, and the next year "Peregrine Pickle" appeared at the same price. The rise in prices began early in this century. For instance, Miss Edgeworth's "Tales of Fashionable Life," published in 1810, were in three volumes at the rate of 6s. a volume. "Guy Mannering" was priced at a guinea for three volumes. It is thought that "The Pirate," 1822, was the first three-volume novel published at the now familiar price of a guinea and a half. By 1860 the price of half a guinea for each volume had become an almost invariable rule. The second and cheap edition of a novel at 6s. or 3s. 6d. is a thing of not more than thirty years' duration. Miss Braddon is chiefly responsible for the yellow-backed 2s. novel.

Henceforward, says Count Tolstoi, in order to guard against misapprehension of his doctrine, those translations of his works of which he approves will have a notice to that effect. As it is, he is much vexed by having the paternity of opinions not his own thrust upon him by translators who use incorrect manuscript or bad translations, by translators who know insufficient Russian, and by wilful suppression of whole passages. Herr Ibsen has had to make a somewhat similar protest. He has addressed a letter to the leading German managers asking them to produce no versions of his plays but those that carry his sanction. This is one of the penalties of having a message.

THE ST. PANCRAS ACCIDENT.

HOW THE DRIVER IS AFFECTED.

It is stated that Turner, the driver of the Midland Scotch express, who was unable to stop his train on coming into St. Pancras, has been reduced from an express to an engine to shunt goods, and on no account is to drive an engine out of the yard.

THE HISTORY OF A SCAR.

On the back of my right hand—just about the middle of it—there is a small scar, half as big a threepenny piece, perhaps. You would never notice it unless I showed it to you, and even then you would have to look sharp to see it. But it's there, all the same, and will be until the hand is returned to dust. It dates back forty years, that scar does. Going home from school one day another boy and I quarrelled and fought. Strange to say, it wasn't about a girl either. Anyway, he drew his jack-knife and stabbed me in the back of the right hand. The wound, I remember, was slow to heal. It was sore and inflamed for months, and hardly a day but something hit it, or I knocked it against something, and so made it worse. My whole available body appeared to be concentrated in that sore. You know how such things are. They are like boils, and if there is any comfortable spot to have a boil there are loads of money waiting for the fellow who discovers it.

Lately we have received two letters, both containing an identical expression, namely, this: "*Everything seemed a trouble to me.*" Now, none of us are so tough as be proof against trouble, but when *everything* is a trouble to a man the very heart inside of him must be tender and touchy. And, Mercy knows, it is so often enough. Grief will do it, worry will do it, and illness too.

One of these letters, or at least the writer of it, goes on to say:—"It was in March, 1880, that I felt tired and languid, and without my usual energy. Before that I had always been strong and active. Now I was low-spirited and melancholy; everything seemed a trouble to me. At first I had a bad taste in the mouth, a poor appetite, and all I ate gave me great pain in the chest and sides. Even fish and poultry gave me as much distress as more solid food. I was constantly spitting up a sour, acid fluid which caused a miserable feeling in my throat and mouth.

"After I had been some time in this condition I was attacked with gout in my hands and feet, which confined me to the house now and again for a week or two at a time. The parts became inflamed and swollen, and gave me excruciating agony. I could not bear anything to touch them. For four years I was subject to these attacks. The doctor who attended me was able to ease me temporarily but I was soon as bad as ever.

"In the middle of April, 1888, I read that cases like mine had been cured by Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and I thought I would try it. I hadn't taken more than half a bottle when I felt relieved. This encouraged me to keep on with the Syrup, and in a comparatively short time all the symptoms of the disease left me. Since then I have enjoyed excellent health, and whenever I feel a twinge of my old enemy a dose or two of 'Mother Seigel' soon sets me right. Yours truly (Signed) M. LEAHY, 49, Grosvenor Terrace, Grosvenor Park, Camberwell, London, September 22nd, 1892."

So much for the facts as Mr. Leahy felt them. What has science to offer in explanation of them? This. Gout, rheumatism, and biliousness are three complaints arising indirectly from an overworked liver, or more properly, from indigestion and dyspepsia. The poisons so engendered may lie hidden and unfelt for a long time, and then be suddenly rendered active by mental worry, exposure, over eating, wrong eating, or any of a dozen other causes. The kidneys fail (following the stomach and liver), the acid poison remains in the blood and sets up inflammation in the joints, and the retained fluids produce dropsy. All sorts of disturbances are apt to go with this condition of things, every one less a disease in itself than a symptom of the *one cause*—indigestion and dyspepsia. The heart and lungs are often attacked in sympathy. Cure the torpid digestion, and an all-round improvement at once succeeds. To do this is in the power of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup—as, perhaps, in the power of nothing else.

It was most unfortunate that this gentleman suffered for eight years; and no wonder, meanwhile, that his mind was sensitive as his body to every approach. Knowing what he *now* knows he feels safe. *There is no darkness but ignorance*, and the German Nurse shows "The Way Out."

London, October, 1892. J.M.P.

CHURCH NOTES.

THE RECTOR OF WHITTON.

MOVEMENTS OF THE BISHOP OF NORWICH.

ELECTION OF THE BISHOP OF BATH AND WELLS.

The appointment of Mr. Anson to the living of Whitton by the Bishop of Norwich, has stirred the wrath of the *East Anglian Daily Times* and of *Truth*. The organs of Mr. Labouchere and Mr. Wilson, famous as these gentlemen are for deep, sincere attachment to the Church of England, seem to imply that no bishop should give a living to any clergyman outside his diocese. Quite apart from this particular case, which we are not prepared to discuss, we protest against such a doctrine. If it were carried into practice, it would tend to stamp a diocese with one particular type of clergy, it would tie the hands of bishops and limit their choice. The most mischievous class of patrons are just those, who, thinking more of the clergy than the people, limit their own field of selection, quite regardless as to whether the round pegs go into square holes and *vice-versa*.

The Bishop of Norwich leaves for the Continent this week, and is not expected to return to his diocese until the early part of October.

The Dean and Chapter of Bath and Wells met in the Chapter-house at Wells Cathedral, on Tuesday last, at the conclusion of morning service, to elect a bishop of the diocese in succession to the late Lord Arthur Charles Hervey. In the absence of the Dean of Wells, the Ven. Archdeacon Browne presided over a numerous attendance of prebendaries. The President explained the purpose for which they had met, and said that her Majesty had been graciously pleased to recommend for their choice the Right Reverend Father in God George Wyndham Kennion, D.D., Lord Bishop of Adelaide. They all naturally thought of the sad loss which the whole diocese had sustained. Their late Bishop's nobility of birth was illustrated by his high personal qualifications. Of the Bishop-designate they heard everything which was good. Canon Buckle, the precentor, submitted the *congé d'élire* and her Majesty's recommendatory, which were duly read by the Chapter clerk.

Canon Bernard, as the senior residentiary canon, who mentioned that he had been connected with the Chapter for 25 years, proposed the election of Bishop Kennion, and explained the importance which they, as Churchmen, attached to that ancient election of Bishop, saying that it was not the mere empty formality which so many described it. He supplemented the remarks of the President as to the excellent reports which they heard of Bishop Kennion, to whose episcopate they looked forward with the brightest hopes. The resolution having been unanimously carried, the President declared George Wyndham Kennion duly elected Bishop of the diocese of Bath and Wells, and attached the seal of the Chapter to the necessary notifications of the election.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is leaving home for a few weeks' rest. Diocesan matters may be referred to the Bishop of Dover or the Archdeacon of Maidstone. Other communications should be addressed to the Private Secretary, Lambeth Palace.

The *Daily Chronicle* says that the funeral of the late Prebendary Grier, at Hednesford, was one of the most impressive spectacles that Staffordshire ever witnessed. He was borne to his last rest by six members of the Cannock Chase Miners' Association, and in the long procession which followed were all the miners in the district, representatives of the Salvation Army, and the other Dissenting bodies, some 30,000 in all.

Prebendary Grier was an active member of the English Church Union, of the Diocesan Church Mission Council, and took a keen interest in the work of the Evangelist brotherhood.

On the Holy Island of Iona, close to the ruins of the ancient cathedral of St. Columba, on St. Bartholomew's Day, the Bishop of Nyassaland ordained as deacon Mr. Samuel Schoza, a native of Swahili Land. The ceremony was one of peculiar interest, as being the first ordination which has taken place there for many centuries, the ordinand going from the cradle of British Christianity to the newest of the Church's missions in Central Africa. The service, which was a very impressive one, began at eight a.m., followed by the Holy Eucharist, the celebrant being the Bishop of Nyassaland. The sermon, which was most earnest and spiritual, was preached by the Bishop of Argyll and the Isles. The alms were for the Universities' Mission in Central Africa.

The Bishop of Salisbury has officially informed the clergy of his diocese that he proposes to leave England in the third week in November, travelling *via* Suez and Colombo, to spend about a month in Australia and New Zealand, and to return *via* Canada about the end of March. It is his lordship's intention to take part in the consecration of the Rev. F. Wallis as Bishop of Wellington.

DESTRUCTIVE STACK FIRE IN SUFFOLK.

PRODUCE OF 23 ACRES RUINED.

About one o'clock on Tuesday morning, one of the servants of Mr. George Cobon, of Witton Hall Old Farm, near North Walsham, observed from her bedroom window that one of the stacks in the yard was on fire. She at once gave the alarm, and the North Walsham fire engine was quickly on the spot. The stack, which was the produce of about 23 acres of hay, was ablaze all round, but numerous willing helpers soon subdued the flames, and the danger of the fire spreading to other stacks and buildings which were in close proximity was averted. Half the stack was spoiled. The fire originated from over-heating.

UNDER THE HAMMER.

LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES AT LOWESTOFT.

On Friday, Messrs. Maddison, Miles, and Maddison offered for sale at the King's Head, Beccles, a market garden and about 40 acres of arable land and accommodation marshes, mostly freehold, with dwelling-house and farm buildings, at Haddiscoe, at a yearly rent of £110. Mr. Wright, of Moulton, was the purchaser at £1,475.—

LOWESTOFT.

Messrs. Titcomb and Few offered for competition, at the Royal Hotel, Lowestoft, on Friday, a number of valuable properties in the neighbourhood. A semi-detached villa residence, 3, Victoria Villas, Esplanade, held upon a lease of 99 years, at an annual ground rent of £10, and letting at £89 per year, rose to £1,400, at which figure the property was withdrawn. A freehold residence and garden known as "Abbotsford," on London Road, was purchased by Mr. C. T. Turner, for £1,500.

WICKHAM MARKET.

Messrs. C. H. Read and Son offered the following properties for sale at the White Hart Hotel, Wickham Market, on Friday evening:—Freehold messuage in two tenements, rent £9, Mr. Sam. Dale £105. Brick-built messuage in three tenements in Middle Street, rents £23 5s., Mr. W. Hill, £260. Ten £5 shares in the Wickham Market Gas Company (Limited), Mr. H. P. Inman (at per share), £4 10s.—Messrs. Moore, Garrard, and Son offered at the White Hart Hotel, on Friday, the freehold villa residence, The Limes, Hacheston, which was withdrawn at £975.

FELIXSTOWE.

Messrs. Shuckforth Downing and Co., on Saturday, offered the following properties:—Freehold cottage, with stabling and coach-house, known as Martello Cottage, together with a plot of building land, facin Martello Road, Mr. F. Mason, Ipswich, £650. Corner plot of freehold building land, Mr. H. Curtis, London, £395. Plot of building land, Highfield Place, Mr. G. Jackson, Felixstowe, £115.

BURY ST. EDMUND'S.

On Wednesday afternoon, Messrs. H. Lacy Scott and Son, at their Auction Mart, Abbeygate Street, offered for public competition—freehold business premises at Thurston, near the Great Eastern Railway Station, sold to Messrs. Hedges Bros., Bury St. Edmund's, £330. Cock Street Pightle, containing 1a. 3r. 29p., at Elmswell, Mr. D. W. Collen, £90. Two strips of Partable Field, about two acres, at Elmswell, Mr. Hood, £30.

SOUTHWOLD.

Mr. Eaton W. Moore submitted to auction at the Swan Hotel, Southwold, on Monday, ten plots of building land, situate at Reydon. The plots had frontages of 40 feet and a depth of 150 feet. The first plot realised £30, the purchaser, Mr. W. Crimmen, taking the next five lots at the same figure. Plots 7 and 8 fell to Mr. T. S. Denny at £31 per plot, and the remaining two were sold at £30 each to Mr. W. Crimmen.

NEWMARKET.

At the Rutland Arms Hotel, Newmarket, on Tuesday, Mr. G. Blencowe offered for sale the Hasse Farm, Soham, Cambs, comprising 55a. 1r. 21p. The first l , containing the farmhouse, buildings, and 40½ acres, realising £920, fell to Mr. R. Wright, jun. A freehold field of 14½ acres realised £250, the bid of Mr. W. Clements.

COLCHESTER.

Mr. Ernest S. Beard held a sale at the Fleece Hotel, Colchester, on Wednesday evening. A freehold semi-detached residence, No. 8, Black Lane, Hythe, was bought by Mr. John Culver, of Colchester, for £135. A cottage fronting Fingringhoe Road, with large garden, was bought by Miss Jennings, of Wivenhoe, for £50.

BISHOP STORTFORD.

On Thursday Mr. Hilliard, Chelmsford, sold at Bishop Stortford, Shrub's Farm, Hatfield Broad Oak, comprising a dwelling-house, outbuildings, and 151 acres of land. Bidding started at £1,500 10s., and at £1,800 the property was knocked down to Mr. W. R. Dent, of Harlow, who bought for Lord Rookwood. A small holding at Hatfield Heath was sold to Mr. B. L. Acland for £480.

BUNGAY.

Mr. William Howlett offered by auction, at Bungay, on Thursday, for the Executors of Mr. George Catchpole, a double cottage, situate in Nethergate Street, which was knocked down to the Misses Muddle for £135; a double cottage in Lower Olland Street, Bungay, was sold to Mr. W. Read for £68; a house and shop, near the Post Office, was sold to Mr. A. T. Robertson for £250.

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AN ALLEGED MISCHIEVOUS ASSOCIATION.

COOKED BALANCE-SHEETS ASSERTED.

SIR,—Mr. A. L. Edwards is at it again with a column of frothy misrepresentations, bounce, abuse, and evasive answers. Why does not Mr. Edwards answer my first letter, and then my second, and lastly, my third, instead of talking about our balance-sheet and my private affairs? Why, simply, Sir, because he cannot. We have got Mr. Edwards into a hole from which he cannot extricate himself. It seems hopeless for me to appeal to him to conduct this discussion in a fair and gentlemanly way, as in reply to my appeal he rushes into sheer personal abuse and slimy imputations. In his last contribution he uses words out of his own coster-vocabulary which he has used over and over again in the columns of the *Ipswich Journal* and *Bury Post*—wastrels, senseless, humbugs, loafing agitators, tommy-rot, etc. Now, Sir, such language as that one would expect to hear used at a public-house brawl, and not in the columns of a high-class paper as the *Ipswich Journal*—used by a would-be Radical-cum-Socialistic aspirant for the honourable position of Town Councillor at Bury St. Edmund's. Mr. Edwards repeats again that I know nothing about his balance-sheet. Then why does Mr. Edwards offer such a lame reply to some of the strongest points, and say, "Well, now, coming to Mr. Blake's tirade of abuse and insult, and his impudent questions"? Good heavens!

MR. EDWARDS MUST BE JOKING,

and I was compelled to laugh when I read it, and so must a large number of your readers. Anyhow the public will judge who is the greatest offender in the matter of abuse. And, Sir, I have received a letter from a Conservative working man at Penrith, Cumberland, which I shall be pleased to show you, in which he says, "I have been greatly interested with the correspondence between you and Mr. Edwards. I was sorry to see the latter get to such abuse; as you say, 'that is no argument'; but I was glad to see that you, as an Englishman and a gentleman, take it in the way you did, and give him such a trenchant exposure. His letters would make one think they were written by Dr. Tanner or Tim Healy." That's what a Conservative working man thinks of Mr. Edwards and his abuse. But, Sir, I will take Mr. Edwards's twisted replies to my exposures of him and his Federation and balance-sheet one by one. (1.) Mr. Edwards replies that "his mission has been a complete success in delivering thousands of men from the thraldom of Trade Unions." Certainly, I expect the thousands Mr. Edwards is speaking of are the thousands he pretended to tell the public he had in his society, and has given no account of their subscriptions in his balance-sheet. I will give Mr. Edwards credit for some success in that direction. We have always held that Mr. Edwards's mission was to try by bounce, misrepresentation, and bluster to smash up Trade Unions in the interest of his paymasters, the employers, and to a certain extent he has been successful, and the results

LOWER WAGES, HALF-STARVED DOCKERS,

and Mr. Edwards riding about, living out of the fat of the land, grinning at the poor creatures he has misled and deceived. Mr. Edwards says, "Mr. Blake asks whether it is not a fact that since my Federation has been started 300 dockers' wages have been reduced from 4d. to 3d. per hour." Here Mr. Edwards makes a wilful misrepresentation, or could not have read my question aright, which was as follows:—"Is it not a fact, since Mr. A. L. Edwards' Federation started in Ipswich with his boasted 300 dockers, wages have dropped from 4d. to 3d. per hour?" Mr. Edwards replies—"I beg to state such is not a fact, and consequently need no protest from me." Surely Mr. Edwards is grossly ignorant of the position of the people whom he pretends to seek to benefit. I say that the dockers' wages have been reduced, and in many instances are reduced at the present time, and if only Mr. Edwards would take the trouble to look into the position of these poor fellows, he would soon find out that he is talking nonsense. But why did Mr. Edwards attempt to answer one question and then jump over the others unnoticed to talk about other people's business? Please

MR. EDWARDS, ANSWER THESE OTHER QUESTIONS,

which are:—(2). Is it not a fact that since Mr. Edwards's Federation has started the dockers on the Ipswich Quay have lost their fare being paid to Harwich when working there, beside 6d. per night lodging money? (3). Is it not a fact, in spite of Mr. Edwards's fulsome twaddle about befriending the dockers, that a large number have left his society, and that some have gone to gentlemen in the town, begging for their assistance to start a branch of the London Dockers' Union, as they were starving on the docks? (4). Is it not a fact, that since a branch of the London Dockers' Union has been in existence, with its 70 or more members, wages have gone up on one firm from 3d. to 4d. per hour? Perhaps Mr. Edwards will give us his old reply—"Don't know." Funny, isn't it, he did not notice these damaging questions? Perhaps he could not see them. Anyhow, I would advise Mr. Edwards to take a walk upon the Quays and inquire as to the wages, &c., which the dockers are receiving, and no doubt there are a large number who would be glad to see him, and put him in possession of the miserable position into which Mr. Edwards and his Free Loan Society has led them. In answer to my charge of Mr. Edwards neglecting to step in between his members and unjust employers, he replies, "No injustice by employers of our members has ever been the subject of complaint, and as far as we know the employers and employed have got on very well together, the rights of each other having been acknowledged and respected by both parties." Certainly. No one would ever expect only such an answer from Mr. Edwards. No sane man would ever expect Mr. Edwards to either fight or press home the claims of the workers for an advance of wages upon the gentlemen

WHO SUPPLY HIM WITH HIS LIVING.

We have contended all along, and Mr. Edwards's lame answer confirms it, that his Federation is run in the interests of capitalists, that his Society is manned by foremen and retired business men, who, though estimable men, are not in sympathy with Trade Unions, and have never been; and I challenge Mr. Edwards to give the public the name of a single man in his Federation who is a *bona fide* Trade Unionist. Does Mr. Edwards mean to tell the public that it would be policy or the duty of foremen to try and get wages up, or call their employers' attention to injustice to the men under them? I have known several men who, directly they have been placed in the position of foremen, have resigned their position as members or officials of their Trade Union, simply because, as honest men, they could not serve their employers and look after the interests of the men. No, Mr. Edwards, if there are any poor dockers waiting to be helped in the shape of higher wages, they will have to wait till doomsday—that is not in your line of business—and would have to work for one penny per hour. But, Sir, one word more. Will Mr. Edwards tell the public if he intends to explain his balance-sheet or not, and make his position and statements clear? Will he please read over No. 1 and answer it if he can? No. 2 will he please read through again and

ANSWER THOSE DAMAGING QUESTIONS,

and if he does, he will at once see what a hopeless muddle he has made in trying to answer one point, and then jumping over three or four damaging questions without answering them. Mr. Edwards seems to have got into an Irish bog, and the more he struggles and flounders about the deeper he sinks. Mr. Edwards, in answer to my assertions, keeps crying, "Will Mr. Blake explain?" I have told Mr. Edwards before, I will explain everything in connection with our Federation, our characters, our balance-sheet, our salaries, and give an account of every item spent. Ours is no secret society. But as I have attacked Mr. Edwards's position and balance-sheet, will he first explain his—if he can? Mr. Edwards seems to know more about our business than we know ourselves; he asserts he has seen it in print that we are going to the Trades Union Congress, and have conjured up figures to show the cost of delegates going there. Well, Sir, as the Executive Council have never thought about sending any delegates there, will Mr. Edwards please give the name of the paper in which this report was inserted, or I shall charge Mr. Edwards with deliberate untruthfulness and trying to deceive the public, and gain a point against an extremely dangerous opponent. Mr. Edwards says, "Mr. Blake, by past experience, knows that I am not much of

A WHINER, BUT A FIGHTER

if you like. Well, I do not know much about Mr. Edwards as a fighter; I know him as a bouncer. He can certainly fight when his opponent is at a respectful distance; but once let him get his opponent face to face with him, and he soon turns tail. Mr. Edwards no doubt remembers Cratfield, Hull, &c. Mr. Thos. Wager, of Mr. Arch's Union, writes me:—"Mr. Edwards has been challenged by our Norfolk agent to meet him and debate with him in any village in Norfolk, but no—he will not." So much for the brave fighter. But before we have done with Mr. Edwards we will give him the chance of having a warm bout or two. As to Mr. Edwards' vulgar reference to my being a property owner, I will not deign to notice such contemptible controversy, only to add that no doubt a large number of persons in Suffolk would be glad to know that Mr. Edwards did own some property.

EDMUND BLAKE.

AGRICULTURE.

THE HARVEST IN SUFFOLK.

CONDITION AND PRICES OF THE CROPS.

THE FARMERS' BENEVOLENT FUND.

REJOINDER TO MR. BLAKE.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

He would be a bold man who would attempt to estimate the money value to the agricultural world of the succession of fine days with which we were blessed last week. The harvest waggons were kept going; masters and men worked with an energy which showed that they appreciated the necessity of making the most of the present sunshine. The stackyards begin to present the appearance we like to see them assume. There is promise of plenty. Some farmers where labour is scarce will require a week or two like the last before they are able to exult in the safe housing of the last load. Dame Nature has opened her bounteous hand; the landscape is, or soon will be, dotted with elegantly-formed stacks of corn, the fruit trees are laden, and there is a grand prospect of an abundance of winter food for the stock. If prices were only a little brighter how beautiful the picture would be. The stackyards are filled with the fruits of a year's labour, the sweetness of which has, however, been a good deal toned down owing to

ANXIETIES INCIDENTAL TO THE TIMES.

Will they brighten? I have lately been somewhat chided for painting matters agricultural in colours too brilliant to be consistent with the melancholy aspect of surroundings. I can only say in justification that when I spoke of the possibility of the crops for the better in the near future I was giving the opinion of a gentleman whose experience and views entitled him to weight in every word he says which would not attach to anything I might say. He gave substantial reasons for the renewed hope that was within him; upon his shoulders must rest the responsibility, and he is so far blessed indeed that he is the subject of no fear for his own with the gentlemen who have confided to me their belief that the signs which my popu'ar friend alluded to, as pointing to better times for the agricultural districts at no very remote date, were more than fallacies or not very far from it. There are old and worthy men who remember when times were much better than they are now; for years they were prosperous and were men of note and influence in their several spheres of life. With some of these I have had conversations that have taken place of late years have been too severe, and they have, to use a common expression,

COME DOWN IN THE WORLD,

some of them so low that a little weekly pecuniary help is appreciated as a great measure. To read the cases of good men and true who have, through the depreciation of land and farm products, thus become really reduced in circumstances, the Benevolent Fund of the Royal Agricultural Society should be a boon, and the benefits which have been distributed through its agency during the many years it has been in active operation are fully known only to those gentlemen who take a deep interest in its fortunes and who observe with care its annual balance. Sir Walter Gilbey is one of the gentlemen who have taken a lively interest in this benevolent institution, as in so many other societies and organisations whose special object is to benefit all classes of agriculturists. The last baronet has issued a touching appeal, through the agency of the London and provincial press, to the agriculturists of the United Kingdom to remember the fund in their thanksgivings for the safe ingathering of a bountiful harvest. Sir Walter Gilbey draws attention to the condition of many who have manfully borne the cross incidental to the practice of agriculture during so many years, and

HAVE BROKEN DOWN

under the pressure. "It is highly satisfactory" (he adds) "indeed to know that during last year 1,005 persons, many of whom are over eighty years of age, were assisted by the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution by pensions of from £20 to £40. Still more satisfactory must be the knowledge of the fact that this year's appeal, the amount received from the offertories at harvest thanksgiving services was £7,120, being the largest sum received by the Institution from that source in any one year, and enabled the Council to admit a larger number of pensioners than at any previous election. Right cheerfully, too, must we endorse that portion of the annual report of the Institution which says that the thanks of the Council are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee of the claims of this Institution to the proceeds of harvest offertories. Unhappily, however, there is an obverse to every medal, and this is to be found in the fact that there are still 300 cases on the list with 300 candidates seeking election to the benefits of the

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL BENEVOLENT INSTITUTION,

who have in their time cultivated holdings varying from £200 to £1,000 per year, but have been ruined through the various causes of agricultural failure. The present condition of these 300 persons, it will be readily seen, represents a difference between a past of comparative ease and comfort and a present in many cases of sore need. Sir Walter Gilbey's appeal is a timely one and true and to the point that I have felt constrained to quote them, in the hope that those of my agricultural friends who have enough and a little to spare may generously do so that their poorer brethren as well represented through the agency of the Benevolent Fund of the Royal Agricultural Society. I observe that a correspondent in the *Agricultural Gazette*, taking up the appeal which Sir Walter Gilbey has publicly made, has made a very practical suggestion, and one which, if generally adopted, won't be likely to admit of even a larger number of agriculturists participating in the benefits which the Benevolent Fund has to distribute to the deserving. The suggestion is that a penny subscription should be solicited once a year at hotels visited by agriculturists. The idea is undoubtedly a good one, and all that is required is for someone to take the initiative in the difficult matter of getting the ball rolling. Once it comes rolling in; we should soon have ocular demonstration of the power of the penny, and the Benevolent Fund would be able to very materially increase its beneficence. The

PRICE OF WHEAT

has been the chief topic of consideration in local circles. A feeling akin to one of alarm has been expressed as to the low rate to which prices have descended. Once more, as we have reminded, the farmers of the late districts are to have the best of it, as they have had for two or three years past. "Their crops," says this gentleman, "are not so heavy generally as those of the south and west of England, but they have had a good start in harvesting, and have secured the benefit of the early laying of the heaviest fields of corn. If the fine weather lasts their grain, in colour and condition, will be much superior to that of the early districts as a rule. Surely all this must be taken into account, and at present has been unfit for milling, and nothing but urgent need of money or straw, it must be supposed, could have induced its owners to thrash it, damp as it was. It would have been wise, as it will be, if it could only be sold at a great sacrifice after being presumably thrashed. Some of it has been valued at only 15s. to 18s. a quarter, whether sold at such miserable rates or not. It is worth more for feeding purposes, for which are exceptionally large demands, and what will certainly be used this year if prices remain as they are." "A mistaken impression as to the wheat acreage," says the *Standard*, "in Great Britain has been corrected by the publication of the preliminary agricultural returns. Reports from many parts of the country were to the effect that the area had been reduced even below the small one of last year, instead of which we have an increase of 60,340 acres. Partial recovery does not tell against the gradual contraction of the wheat area, because last year's extraordinary decrease of 322,315 acres was in great part accidental, or due, not to intention, but to the difficulties of sowing in the preceding autumn. There are still 291,877 acres less than there were in 1892, or quite an average reduction for two years. Ten years ago there were 2,677,038 acres of wheat in Great Britain, and now there are only 1,927,962 acres, the decrease being 749,076 acres, or 28 per cent. The area of the barley crop is 2,026,634 acres, or 20,937 acres more than in 1893, and only 72,786 acres less than in 1884. In the case of oats there has been a considerable expansion, the 3,345,340 acres grown this year being 51,393 acres more than the area of last year, and 337,782 acres more than were grown ten years ago. One of the most remarkable features of the returns is the decrease of 23,307 acres of potatoes since last year. The present area of 594,456 acres is less by 60,156 acres than in last of 1884. The abundant crops have made prices very low, so that growers distant from good markets have found the heavy rail charges prohibitive and their crops unremunerative. There is also an improvement in the form of the preliminary returns, there is evidently the intention of making them as they crop, upon which Major Craigie is to be congratulated." Of course the most serious effort is being made to induce the labourers in which to return to the

FOLD OF THE LABOURERS' UNION.

They are told that they might have had 30s. or 32 more per week if they had continued their adherence to the Union. Indeed! Does the Union secretary venture to make this remark realise the exceedingly low point to which corn has dropped, and that should there may be more straw this year the yield will probably not be probably amount to anything like what some farmers had fondly hoped and believed would be the case? However, the labourers probably know what value to attach to the recommendations of men who are not in touch with the agricultural requirements of the present time, and who are themselves. "Once bitten twice shy," says the old proverb.

FRIENDLY SOCIETY NOTES.

GROWTH OF FRIENDLY SOCIETIES IN SUFFOLK.

JUVENILE ODDFELLOWS AT SAXMUNDHAM.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE ANNIVERSARY.

[Specially Contributed.]

Members of Suffolk friendly orders have not made their influence felt as prominently during the past week as has been the case for several weeks past. Nevertheless, some of the lodges have shown to the outside world that they are still alive and mean to continue their career of usefulness. For instance, the Saxmundham Juvenile Oddfellows, affiliated to the "Fidelity" Lodge, held bratel their anniversary on Monday, when the meeting was held in the Market-place. At present the juvenile branch numbers some 120 members, and in spite of the heavy demands upon its funds consequent upon the diphtheria epidemic of last year, the financial position is reported to be sound.

Owing to the epidemic disease referred to the juveniles were deprived of an anniversary celebration last year, but this was amply compensated for on Monday, when, thanks to the untiring energy of Bro. M. Cooper, the juvenile Foresters, now 100 boys were taken in brakes and by rail to Sizewell, and Leiston. Mr. Fred. Lowe, of Saxmundham, catered for the youngsters at Sizewell, and after they had satisfied the proverbial voracious appetite of youth, various games were indulged in by the juveniles. Afterwards games were again the order of events until seven o'clock, when hearty cheers were given for Messrs. Frank Garrett and F. Lowe, and the merry party returned home with vivid recollections of their 1894 anniversary.

The Witham District Council of the Independent Order of Oddfellows Society, which comprises some 28 branches in Suffolk and Essex, and numbers about over 20,000, held its annual meeting on Saturday at Braintree. The principal business of interest was that having reference to the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the results of the voting may be as follows:—Chairman, Mr. Knight, of Bocking (representing Braintree); vice-chairman, Mr. Challis, Heybridge; district secretary, Mr. W. Coker, Witham (re-elected), who was also deputed to represent the Council on the Executive.

The beautiful weather on Sunday afternoon attracted a numerous gathering of the "Pride of Suffolk" Lodge of Oddfellows and members of the Grundisburgh branch of the Rational Sick and Burial Association to the church parade to Clopton Church. The members assembled at Grundisburgh Green, and the procession was headed by the Grundisburgh brass band, which enlivened the march to and from church by well-chosen selections. The Rev. S. Hooke occupied the pulpit, and in the course of an appropriate discourse he referred to the fact that every working man associating himself with some benefit society, remarking that when they did so he hoped they would also provide themselves for old age pensions, instead of looking for Slabs aid

THE SOUTHEND MYSTERY.

READ AGAIN BEFORE THE MAGISTRATES.

DETAILS OF A TERRIBLE CRIME.

REVOLTING REVELATIONS.

A PRISONER WITH THREE HOMES AND EIGHT CHILDREN.

A BATCH OF MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES

EXTRAORDINARY CAREER OF DUPLICITY AND CRIME.

PRISONER COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

James Canham Read, the smart-looking ex-dock clerk, yesterday made his bow, for the ninth time, to the Southend Justices preparatory to undergoing further examination in connection with a murder which has created a feeling of horror throughout the country. Read is carefully guarded from the mob, and has, during his long period of incarceration, been lodged in Chelmsford Jail, where, by the way, if he be proved guilty, he will suffer the extreme penalty of the law. The long lulls have caused the public to lose the thread of the story, therefore a

HARRY READ.

resumé of the many events which have gone to form the connecting links in this long and dreary drama will doubtless be read with interest at the present time. On Tuesday morning, June 26th, Southend-on-Sea was stirred to its utmost depths by the announcement of a terrible crime having been perpetrated at Prittlewell. Over night the attention of Frederick Rasch was attracted by a glove lying on the ground. On closer inspection he discovered the dead body of Miss Florence Dennis (23), daughter of a harness-maker, at Shakespeare Road, Herne Hill, lying on her back in a ditch, with her hat partially obscuring her face and bosom, and a

SHOT-WOUND THROUGH HER HEAD.

There was a terrible trail of blood down to the water's edge, demonstrating that the unfortunate young woman had been shot about eight feet from the bank of the stream, and that she had either been thrown or staggered into the ditch. The revolver had evidently been fired at very short range, as Miss Dennis's hair was singed. The appearance of a corn field close at hand bore traces of the assailant having hidden himself until he was fully assured that the coast was clear. For some time past Miss Dennis had been staying at the house of Mrs. Ayriss, her married sister, 24, Westley Road, Southend-on-Sea. She made the acquaintance, some two years ago, of James Canham Read (39), a clerk, of gentlemanly appearance, with slight light-brown whiskers, residing with his wife and eight children, residing at 57, Jamaica Street, Stepney, London. On the Saturday prior to the murder Read sent the girl two telegrams, making appointments to meet her at Southend that night, and he left home without telling his wife where he was going. Read and Florence Dennis were seen together in Southend on Saturday night, and they parted after arranging another meeting for Sunday evening. That appointment was also kept, Read and Dennis being seen in company

WITHIN HALF A MILE OF THE SPOT

where the girl's body was subsequently found. Read was then persuading his companion to continue their walk across some lonely fields, and evidently she at length consented. The following afternoon the blood-stained glove and Miss Dennis's dead body were discovered. Meanwhile (on the Monday morning) Read put in an appearance at his office, but as Florence Dennis had not returned to her married sister's home, Mrs. Ayriss telegraphed to Read at the Albert Docks, asking if the girl was with him. Read immediately wrote and posted a letter, which was subsequently received by Mrs. Ayriss, stating that he was surprised to receive her telegram, "as he had not seen Florence for eighteen months." Read finding he was suspected left the docks at four o'clock the same afternoon. On Tuesday his books and cash were examined, and a sum of

£150 WAS FOUND TO BE MISSING,

while certain papers and vouchers had evidently been burnt. For some days Read escaped pursuit, and in the meantime the inquest was held, and a verdict of "wilful murder" returned against him. A few days later Read was arrested at the house of a Miss Kempton at Mitcham. Police proceedings commenced at Southend on July 23rd, and it then transpired that the prisoner, in addition to his home in Stepney, had another residence at the house of Miss Kempton, by whom he had a child. Miss Dennis was a single woman, and at the time of her death was eight months advanced in pregnancy. A forged marriage certificate with Miss Kempton and the prisoner was found at the house at Mitcham. Prisoner worked on week days at the docks, and at nights resided at Stepney; while from Saturday to Monday he was in the habit of staying with Miss Kempton. To the latter he had shown a revolver, telling her that he had been stopped between Hallingbury and Bishop Stortford, and that he thought it wise to carry a pistol for his protection. Evidence was given to prove that he had frequently proposed marriage to Miss Kempton; that he was in Florence Dennis's company up till 10 o'clock on the fatal night; and that he was seen at 1.15 on the morning of June 25th by a constable at Benfleet, whom he told he had come from Southend. Cartridges belonging to the pistol were produced in court of the same description as the one found in the deceased's head; while in the prisoner's desk at the East India Docks were found a

DOZEN BLANK MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES.

Exciting scenes had been witnessed on the occasion of the prisoner's removal to and from Chelmsford Gaol. After appearing before the Southend Magistrates seven times, during the course of which the prisoner's relations with various women formed the principal subjects of examination, Mrs. Ayriss, a woman whose connection with Read caused a great sensation in court, retracted her previous statement and declared that she had seen him at Southend on the night of the murder. The bulk of the evidence at this hearing was that of experts, who were called to prove that the handwriting in the letter that the prisoner had sent to the murdered girl, making an appointment to meet her at the Great Eastern station, at Southend, was identical with the original of the telegram also received by her. It was also hoped that Harry Read, the prisoner's brother, would have been present, but when called upon he had disappeared and a warrant for his apprehension was forthwith issued. Between the interval of the next hearing

TWO OTHER WITNESSES DISAPPEARED.

Harry Read, however, communicated with the police, informing them that the reason why he did not appear was because he had no money; that the case had absolutely ruined him temporarily, and that conduct money must be sent. He stated that he could not understand why the police wanted him, because he knew nothing about the affair. The last time he saw his brother was on the Friday prior to the murder. In connection with Harry Read an amusing statement was made, showing the enterprise of showmen, in which it appeared that one of the fraternity at High Street, Southend, on hearing of his financial predicament, offered Mr. Harry Read an engagement for exhibition purposes, at a salary of 30s. per week, and five per cent. commission. Subjected to a searching examination a fortnight ago, as to the revolver, &c., Harry Read told the Court that he had not the faintest idea where his brother was on the night of the murder. Nevertheless the theory of the prosecution is that witness is fully acquainted with his brother's whereabouts on the night of the murder, and that for the sake of his brother's life he will not divulge the facts. At Southend Police Court yesterday, James Canham Read, thirty-eight lately a dock cashier, was again brought up on remand charged with the wilful murder of Florence Dennis at Prittlewell, near Southend, on Sunday night, June 24th. The prisoner, who was accompanied by Inspector Dale and Sergeant Scott, was driven from Chelmsford to Shenfield Station, on the G.E. Railway, by which line he journeyed to Southend. Here

LARGE CROWDS HAD CONGREGATED

in the hope of seeing Read, but he was hurried through a side exit to a closed landau, in which he was conveyed to the police court. The thoroughfare in front of the courtyard was blocked by sightseers, chiefly women, but admittance was only obtained by those having business in court. Witnesses proved seeing the prisoner at the bottom of a cornfield near the spot where the deceased was found on that fatal night. Evidence was also given proving that the prisoner was attired in clothes similar to those described by witnesses who saw him at Southend.—Prisoner was committed for trial to the Assizes, and on being removed he emphatically declared his innocence.

AN IDLE AND DISORDERLY PAUPER AT IPSWICH.

SENT TO HARD LABOUR.

George Maskell appeared before the Ipswich Borough Bench on Thursday, and pleaded guilty to misbehaviour as a pauper.—Mr. S. Gooding appeared for the Ipswich Guardians, and said that defendant, having been removed from the Ipswich Union on September 2nd, 1892, to the Tendring Union, repeatedly returned within 12 months, and was therefore, in the words of the Act, "an idle and disorderly person." Defendant persisted in his conduct, and the Guardians took the present proceedings as a warning to others. Sentenced to seven days' hard labour.

1st V.B. SUFFOLK REGIMENT.

Detachment Orders, Headquarters, Ipswich, 6th September, 1894:—1. Spoon competition on Wednesday, the 12th, by members of the Shooting Club, 2.30 p.m.—2. Second and first-class regulation firing on Saturday, the 15th inst.; 2nd class, 2.30 p.m.; first class, 4 p.m. Names to be entered on the form in the Drill Hall. This will be the last day for shooting in those classes.—3. There will be a general meeting of the members of the Gymnasium and Fencing Class on Thursday evening, the 13th, at nine o'clock.—4. Competition at the range on Saturday, the 8th, commencing two p.m. sharp. Class B to shoot at 200 and 500 yards.

H. W. PACKARD,
Major and Hon. Lieut.-Col. Commanding Companies.

SINGULAR FALSE ALARM.

FRAMLINGHAM IN AN UPROAR.

No little excitement was occasioned at Framlingham early on Tuesday morning. The bells of the church were "jangled," and many were the enquiries as to the cause, this being the method of summoning the fire brigade. Some of the firemen were promptly on the Market Hill, and many of the inhabitants were making their way thither, when they learned that a party of bellringers had arrived in the town for a ring on the recently re-hung bells, and had gone to the steeple and tried the bells.

A DOUBTFUL OWNERSHIP.

SUCCESSFUL CONSERVATIVE OBJECTION

AT FRAMLINGHAM.

Mr. T. C. Blofeld resumed the revision of the voters' list in the Eye Division at the Court House, Framlingham, on Wednesday. Mr. E. B. Radcliffe appeared for the Conservatives, and Mr. T. W. Read appeared for the Liberals. The only case of interest was in the Framlingham list. Mr. Radcliffe objected to the name of Mr. Frank Woolnough, of Ipswich, alleging that the property claimed for did not belong to him, but to his father's executors. Mr. John Martin was called, and he stated that about six weeks ago Mr. Woolnough told him the property did not belong to him, but to his father's executors.—Objection allowed.

A BURY LABOURER SMARTLY PUNISHED.

RESULT OF A PUBLIC-HOUSE BRAWL.

On Wednesday, at Bury, Wm. Carter, labourer, failed to answer a charge of assaulting John Hardy, labourer, at Whepstead.—Complainant stated that whilst he was at the White Horse, defendant, who seemed the worse for beer, struck at him with his fist, but missing his aim knocked a flower pot down. He then hit complainant's forehead, which bled a good deal, and also struck him in the ribs, and caused him to lose a day's work.—Fined £1 including costs.—Defendant was further charged with having been drunk and disorderly on the highway, for which he was fined 5s. and 6s. 6d. costs.—A further charge of having refused to leave the public-house when requested was not proceeded with.

DEATH IN A MATCH.

BABY TAKES IT FOR A PLAYTHING,

AND MEETS ITS END.

Mr. Rowland Holt Wilson, Coroner for the Liberty of Bury St. Edmund's, held an inquest at Hengrave, on Tuesday, relative to the death of George Edward Baldwin, infant son of Albert Baldwin, a miller's assistant. Last Saturday evening it transpired that the servant found that the child had emptied a box of matches into his lap. He had sucked the brimstone off four, and had another in his mouth. About half-past eight o'clock on Sunday morning witness dressed the child, and he vomited. Albert Baldwin, father of the child, said how the infant became possessed of the matches was a mystery. Dr. C. S. Kilner, of Bury St. Edmund's, said the cause of death was irritant poison from the effects of phosphorus. Verdict "Death from misadventure."

GAME OR VERMIN?

TRAPPING PARTRIDGES NEAR EAST BERGHOLT.

On Tuesday, at the Samford Petty Sessions, Harry Beeston, labourer, of Layham, was charged with setting a spring trap in the open, at Raydon, on the 25th August, and also with taking game without a license.—Two gamekeepers named Todd and Riddle, in the employ of Mr. Eley, of East Bergholt, said a spring trap was set on the top of a bank dividing land occupied by defendant's father and land over which Mr. Eley had the shooting rights, and they saw defendant take a partridge out of the trap.—Defendant called his father, who said he gave his son leave to set traps at the spot for the purpose of catching vermin, which were very destructive to his crops.—Defendant was fined 5s. and £1 3s. 6d. costs for taking game, and 5s. and 8s. for using the trap—£2 1s. 6d. altogether—in default, 14 days' hard labour.

REMARKABLE ADVENTURES OF IPSWICH BOYS.

FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL TO WORKHOUSE.

EXTRAORDINARY STORY.

Two boys, named Leo and Charlie Renel, aged 10 and 5 years respectively, mysteriously disappeared from their home, 180, Cauldwell Hall Road, Ipswich, on Sunday. The pair left home on Sunday afternoon, with an eight-year-old companion, presumably to attend Sunday School. That, however, was not their intention, for a neighbour saw them on the G.E.R. river steamer which left for Harwich at 2.30. The three boys failed to return home, and for a couple of days their parents were kept in a state of great alarm and fear for their safety. On Tuesday afternoon the runaways were discovered by the police in London. They were lodged in a Workhouse, pending the result of telegraphic communication with Ipswich, and it was arranged that they should be sent home by train on Wednesday morning.

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER AT CAMBRIDGE.

A STEPSON COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

At Cambridge Police Court on Tuesday, Samuel Jackson, 22, billiard-marker, was brought up on remand charged with attempting to murder his step-mother, Mary Ann Jackson, by cutting her throat with a razor, at 30, Maid's Causeway. Mrs. Jackson was able to be present, although she was in a rather weak condition.—The prosecutrix said, on August 14th prisoner entered the house saying, "Here you are, mother; are you all alone?" She said, "Yes, here I am, I'm all alone." She was sitting in the middle of the room against the table, when he caught hold of her, and began to cut her with a razor. She ran out of the house screaming, and met a policeman.—Dr. Thomas Greer found two wounds on Mrs. Jackson's neck, one on each side. The one on the left side, a serious wound, was about seven inches long. The other was smaller, about an inch long.—The prisoner, who declined to say anything, was committed for trial at the Assizes.

A WIFE'S TERRIBLE DEATH.

MONSTROUS CONDUCT OF A HUSBAND.

At Chatham, on Tuesday, Joseph William Ellis Holgate, a fitter, recently employed in the dockyard, was committed for trial charged with causing the death of his wife Grace, aged 28 years, by systematically and continually illtreating her. About a month since, during a quarrel, the woman was heard to exclaim, "For God's sake, Joe, don't; leave me alone, and I'll go." The woman left the house, but afterwards returned to fetch her little son, and screams of "Murder!" were heard. The woman then ran out to the house of her stepfather, followed by the prisoner, who again beat her. The deceased had to be removed to the infirmary, but she was seized with an epileptic fit, from which she never recovered, death taking place simultaneously with the birth of a child. Medical evidence was to the effect that epilepsy was caused by blows on the head. A verdict of manslaughter against prisoner has already been returned at the coroner's inquest.

MYSTERIOUS HORSE POISONING AT CROYDON.

A MAGISTRATE'S ANIMALS FOUND DEAD.

Two carriage horses and a valuable hunter belonging to Mr. E. W. Grimwade, J.P., one of the borough Magistrates (son of the late Alderman Grimwade, of Ipswich), were on Wednesday found dead in their stable at Orsham House, South Croydon. The carriage horses were out as late as ten o'clock on Tuesday night, when they took Mrs. Grimwade home from a meeting of the Croydon School Board. The groom fed all the animals, locked the stable door, and left them for the night. In the morning the door was found in the same condition, the lock showing no signs of having been tampered with, but curiously enough all three horses were discovered in their respective stalls. The matter was at once reported to the police. Later in the day the animals were removed for the purpose of a *post-mortem* examination being made. There is little doubt, however, that the horses died from the effects of an irritant poison, but how it was administered is at present a mystery.

REMARKABLE AFFAIR AT IPSWICH.

MARRIED WHILE INSANE.

A LUNATIC RUNS AWAY FROM A NEWLY-MARRIED HUSBAND.

When the 8.51 p.m. (York express) train arrived at Ipswich station on Monday night, it was noticed that a well-dressed middle-aged woman was attempting to alight before the train had stopped. On her being interviewed, it was found that she had no ticket in her possession. Every endeavour was made by the Railway police to gather information from her, but with no good result, and after waiting some considerable time at the station she was eventually conveyed to the Police Station. Here she was seen by a medical man, who, after a careful examination, pronounced her insane. In her possession was a certificate of marriage at Liverpool Parish Church, dated the 3rd inst., between Alexander Mills, 51, master mariner, of the ship Najpore, and Mary Tait, a widow. In a lucid interval, the unfortunate woman stated that her son, David Tait, lived at Great Selborne Street, Liverpool, and he was communicated with immediately. Meanwhile the woman was kindly treated by the police, and ultimately removed to the Asylum.

THE BEST NIGHT-CAP! THE BEST NIGHT-CAP! THE BEST NIGHT-CAP! Have your sheets washed with HUDSON'S EXTRACT OF SOAP, or DRY SOAP, and they will always be sweet as roses, fresh as sea breezes Hudson's Soap leaves no smell.

A SEXAGENARIAN'S STARTLING DEATH.

SUICIDE BEFORE A LOOKING-GLASS.

Mrs. Burgess, who lives in Tybridge Street, Worcester, was startled on Tuesday morning by hearing a crash in a bedroom occupied by Edward Morgan, a lodger. On going to the room she found that he had shot himself with a pistol. He had apparently stood in front of the looking-glass and had blown out his brains. Deceased was 60 years of age. No reason is assigned for the act.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION IN CORNWALL.

HOUSE AND MEN BLOWN TO PIECES.

Great excitement was caused at Hayle, Cornwall, by an explosion, resulting in the loss of two lives, which occurred at the dynamite factory of the National Explosives Company. Two men were engaged in mixing gelynite in one of the mixing-houses, when a tremendous noise was heard, and many of the windows in neighbouring buildings were smashed. It was subsequently discovered that an explosion had occurred, entirely destroying the house and its contents and literally decimating the two men. The quantity of explosive matter in the house at the time of the occurrence was about 600 pounds. At present the cause of the accident is unknown.

FATAL FALL NEAR EYE.

AN ARMY PENSIONER'S VIOLENT DEATH.

On Monday an inquest was held at Rose Villa, Hoxne, relative to the death of William Thorndyke, who met with his death by falling from a pear tree on Wednesday week. The deceased, who was 65 years of age, was an army pensioner, having served the full term in the 81st (Lancashire) Regiment. In the same parish is also living a brother, who enjoys a full pension, having served in the Highland Light Infantry. Deceased told his brother that he was on a ladder, about 15ft. from the ground, and had hold of a bough, shaking off the pears, when the bough snapped, and he fell to the ground. Much difficulty was experienced in getting the deceased upstairs to bed, and he died almost immediately upon getting him to the top of the stairs.—Dr. Smart attributed death to fracture of the ribs and traumatic pneumonia. Verdict, "Accidental death."

DRIVEN DESPERATE BY POVERTY.

A WOMAN'S SAD STORY.

SUICIDE BEFORE STARVATION.

A tidy-looking woman, named Emily Find, 30, married, who was accommodated with a seat, was charged at Thames with attempting to commit suicide by taking poison. When charged, she said, "This is what poverty brings you to." She now stated that she had been out of employment for six weeks, while her husband had only earned 11s. in three weeks, and out of that they had to pay 5s. for rent. Her children kept worrying her for bread, and she did not know what she was doing. In two days they only had a dry loaf, and she had not broken her fast for three days. The landlady of the house gave defendant a good character, and said it was not known she was so badly off. Mr. Dickinson accepted the landlady's recognisance for defendant to come up for judgment if called upon. Defendant should remember that the worst thing to do was to deprive the children of the love of their mother. He would see how she could be helped, and asked Mr. Fitzsimmons the missionary, to see her.

HOW A BUILDER USES HIS HEAD

HE IS CAPABLE OF BUTTING A DOOR IN.

At Westminster, Simon Marsh, builder, of Limerston Street, Chelsea, was summoned for assaulting his wife. Mr. T. D. Dutton appeared on behalf of the complainant, who stated that her husband was in the habit of assaulting her by butting her with his head, which was very hard. Mr. Dutton: I understand he can burst in the panels of a door with it! Complainant: Yes. Defendant, after denying that he had ever assaulted his wife, said the quarrel arose through the latter's persisting in allowing their child to sit as an artist's model, to which he strongly objected. Mr. Sheil: If you two cannot agree together, why on earth do not you separate? Defendant: I have been married 17 years, and have been knocked about cruelly by my wife's relations. Mr. Sheil: Is not that an additional reason for separating? Defendant: I do not want to be separated. Mr. Sheil: If you go on treating your wife in this way I shall separate you by sending you to prison. My strong advice to you is to arrange a separation, otherwise it will end in your going to prison. I will adjourn the case for a week.

SQUANDERING £20,000.

A TERRIBLE FALL.

HUSBAND, WIFE, AND CHILDREN STARVING

Mr. Edmund Burke, who can speak seven languages, has been committed for trial from Highgate upon a charge of embezzling several small sums of money belonging to his employer. The accused, it is said, was for years in the employ of Messrs. Sassoons at a salary of £1,000 a year, but on coming into a fortune of £20,000 he resigned his appointment, and invested his money, mostly in a theatre, and lost it. He told a pitiable story. He said he had a wife and five children, who were on the verge of starvation, and on the day of his arrest the brokers were put in. Mr. Bainbridge, the prosecutor, had lent him money before, and if he had asked him to do so again he would have done it, he had no doubt, but he did not ask him as he thought he might think him troublesome. What was a man to do? He did, he thought, what any other man would have done—viz., take his master's money to prevent his children starving. He did not steal it, and would have paid it back. He denied emphatically that he had stolen the money. He had a question of commission to raise, and pleaded not guilty.

NEW USE FOR THE G.E.R.

WHOLESALE POACHING AT IPSWICH.

At the Ipswich Borough Police Court on Monday, John Keys, Elm Street; Charles Markham, Norwich Road; and William Harris, Handford Cut (who failed to appear), were charged with trespassing in search of conies on the Great Eastern Railway Company's property, near the Hadleigh Road railway bridge. On the Wednesday following Bank Holiday, the first two defendants, knowing that there were plenty of rabbits in the field of rye adjoining the Norwich main line, were actively engaged searching the hedge on the side of the railway. Police-constable Chenery sighted the two men while going along the East Suffolk line from the Black Bridge, over the river to the Hadleigh Road, and immediately started across the field. When within 40 yards the defendants noticed his approach, and Keys, who was

ACCOMPANIED BY A LURCHER DOG,

picked up a couple of rabbits, got through a fence and ran away. Markham joined Harris near the bridge, which they climbed together.—Keys' foreman, Alan Hudson, and two of his fellow-workmen, deposed to being in Keys' company till 2.30 on the afternoon of the date in question, while they were with him again at night at Bergholt.—Markham and Harris were each fined 10s., with 6s. and 7s. costs respectively, or seven days. The case of Keys was adjourned, on the application of Mr. G. D. Power, Police Inspector, G.E.R.

HORRIBLE CRIME AT CHELTENHAM.

A POSTMAN'S GHASTLY DISCOVERY,

A WIFE AND SON MURDERED.

A horrible crime was on Tuesday discovered at the residence of a middle-aged man named Joseph Hartland, who for some time conducted a greengrocery business in High Street, Cheltenham. Hartland had recently given way to drink, and the quarrels in his family circle were notorious. He had frequently held out serious threats to his wife, but these were not treated seriously until recently. Last Friday, however, it is alleged that Hartland held a chopper over his wife's head, and that fearing his violence Mrs. Hartland did not sleep at home on Saturday and Sunday nights. On Monday night a neighbour again offered Mrs. Hartland shelter, but she decided to sleep at home with her youngest son, a child of 14 years. At about eight o'clock on Tuesday morning a postman met Hartland in the shop. He was in an extremely excited condition, and said, "I have done for them." On the premises being searched a horrible scene was witnessed in a bedroom at the rear of the house. Hartland's wife and the son before alluded to were discovered dead in bed, their throats having been cut in a shocking manner. The police were at once communicated with, and Hartland was arrested in a lane only a few hundred yards from the police station. He had just left a public-house in the neighbourhood, where it is stated he confessed the crime.

The annual report of the Shipping Federation will contain figures which will indicate that a new spirit is coming over our mercantile sailors. The great purpose of Mr. J. H. Wilson and his union was to defeat the Shipping Federation, but the union now seems to have lost its influence on the sailors and firemen. It tilted at the Owners' Federation with all the vigour it possessed. The benefit fund which the Federation established for the advantage of the men was attacked with singular vituperation. It was declared to be a delusion and a snare, and simply designed for the purpose of enslaving "poor Jack." This benefit fund has, however, been attended with a success that is remarkable in the history of provident societies. It has increased its strength by leaps and bounds, until at this moment it has no less than 33,000 enrolled members. Moreover, the rate of increase is being maintained, and the managers of the Federation are sanguine enough to anticipate that by the end of the year we shall see that another eight or nine thousand men have resolved to take full advantage of the beneficent designs of the shipowners.

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At 1/6, 1/10, 2/0, 2/4, 2/10, and 4/- per lb. Of Leading Grocers.

WITHAM HARVESTER'S SHOCKING DEATH.

HIS NECK BROKEN BY A FALL.

On Thursday afternoon a man named William Smith, aged 50, in the employ of Mr. Joseph Wakelin, fell from a load of corn whilst the waggon was being driven in the stackyard at Beckingham Hall, Tolleshunt Major, and was instantly killed, his neck being broken.

INCREASED BATHING ACCOMMODATION AT BECCLES.

On Thursday an inquiry was conducted by Mr. Rienzi Walton, at Beccles, concerning an application made to the Local Government Board by the Beccles Town Council for sanction to borrow £500 to defray the cost of the new bathing-place, and also for approval of the sale of certain corporate funds, and the appropriation of the proceeds to the purchase of a piece of land adjoining the bathing-place, at a cost of £110. There was no opposition.

ALARMING ACCIDENT NEAR BRAMPTON.

A TRAP OVERTURNED

AND THE OCCUPANTS INJURED.

As a gentleman named Ansdell, from London, who is staying with Mr. W. F Smoothy, of Brampton, for the shooting season, was driving on Wednesday to Beccles, accompanied by Miss Smoothy and his groom, shortly after passing the railway station at Brampton the horse shied and overturned the trap. The occupants were thrown heavily to the grond, and Mr. Ansdell's leg was broken. Miss Smoothy also was severely bruised and shaken, but the groom escaped injury. The horse was hurt considerably, and the trap smashed.

ALLEGED STRUGGLE IN THE DARK.

A KNODDISHALL ASSAULT CASE.

On Thursday at Saxmundham Petty Sessions, Wm. Emmerson, with his two brothers, John and Frederick, all of Knoddishall, were summoned to answer a charge of having assaulted Neal Sims, dealer, of the same place. Shortly after eleven o'clock on Saturday night week, complainant and a young fellow named Smith left the Carpenters' Arms, at Leiston, to walk home to Knoddishall, and the defendants left at the same time. Complainant's account of what happened was that defendants began jeering and mobbing him without provocation.—Cross-examined complainant declined to accept the unflattering description of being a "strong and violent man, always ready for a row."—Philip Meadows gave evidence for the defence. Sims began to cross-examine, but gave it up as a bad job, saying of witness that "the truth was not in him." The summons was dismissed.

TRAP OVERTURNED AT STOWMARKET.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

A LADY SERIOUSLY INJURED.

On Tuesday afternoon Mr. George Nunn, horse dealer, met with a serious accident on the Ipswich Road, Stowmarket. Accompanied by his wife, he left Bury St. Edmund's, intending to drive to Ipswich. When on the Ipswich Road the wheel of his trap collided with that of a coal cart. This somewhat frightened the horse, which started off at a furious rate, and, coming in contact with Mr. Spencer Cook's bread cart, both pony and trap were turned over. Mr. Cook was standing by, and beyond the axle tree being bent he sustained no injury. The occupants of the other trap were thrown forward by the collision—Mrs. Nunn, clinging to the shafts, was dragged some distance, until she fell exhausted, the step causing a deep gash in the calf of the leg, and, the wheel passing over it, broke the principal bone just below the knee. Police-constable Mann took charge of the horse and trap, and assisted Mr. Nunn to the Police Station for the night.

FELIXSTOWE'S NOTORIETY

FOR BAD HORSEFLESH.

MASTER AND MAN FINED FOR CRUELTY.

Herbert Cornell, cab driver, Walton, was charged before the Woodbridge Bench, on Wednesday, at the instance of Inspector Blake Jones, R.S.P.C.A., with cruelty to a mare at Felixstowe, on August 20th, by working it in an unfit state. The Inspector saw the mare, which was aged and in poor condition, attached to a cab, and on lifting up the saddle pad found a wound four inches in circumference, discharging. It was evidently an old wound, and the animal was totally unfit for work. Defendant told witness the owner was aware of the mare's condition.—Walter Thurston, cab driver, Felixstowe, was charged with causing the animal to be-ill-treated. Both defendants pleaded guilty. The Bench fined Cornell 10s. and 9s. costs, or seven days' hard labour, and Thurston, who as the owner was considered much more to blame, was fined £2 and 9s. costs, or one month's hard labour. The Chairman said it was a matter of notoriety the bad horse-flesh to be seen at Felixstowe, and the Bench hoped the heavy fine in Thurston's case would be a warning to others.

WALLED UP BY A LANDLORD.

AMUSING PLIGHT OF TENANTS.

Four families have been walled in at Montmartre by a landlord of a rather eccentric turn of mind. This man recently purchased some old houses in the Rue d'Orsel. After the bargain was made he found that his property was too closely connected with that of the original landlord, and that the same staircase was used by the tenants of the whole block of buildings. Resolving to effect alterations for the purpose of well defining the limits for the two properties, he gave his tenants notice to quit, and promised to indemnify them. They refused to leave their abodes, so the landlord sent masons and bricklayers to the place for the purpose of walling up the entrance to the general staircase on his side of the building. By this means his

UNLUCKY TENANTS HAVE BEEN CUT OFF

from all communication with the outer world, except by their windows, which are over a court. Through these apertures the tenants—or, at least, the masculine contingent of them—descend by ladder when they want to go to work or to buy victuals. It was in vain that the landlord was appealed to. He emphatically refused to open up the staircase, so the police had been communicated with on the part of the immured tenants. The landlord cannot be summoned, as he has not infringed any known law, but his tenants have been advised to bring an action against him.

IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL PETITION.

THE CHARITY COMMISSIONERS' REPLY.

We have received the following communication from Mr. G. J. Notcutt, solicitor, Museum Street, and clerk to the Gorvernors of the Ipswich Grammar School, addressed to him by Mr. J. E. White on behalf of the Charity Commissioners:—The Charity Commissioners have had under their consideration the report of their Assistant Commissioner, Mr. Durnford, on the local inquiry held by him in this matter, on the 2nd ultimo, and I am now directed to communicate with the Governors on some of the questions that were then raised. An abstract of the accounts should be published annually, and the Commissioners are prepared to consider an abbreviated form if submitted to them by the Governors for approval. The evidence given at the inquiry appears to the Commissioners to have established the fact that the accommodation for domestic servants in the school house is unsatisfactory if the number of boarders received there by the late master is maintained, and I have

TO IMPRESS UPON THE GOVERNORS

the necessity of making such new arrangements as will, at any rate, satisfy the recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health, unless the accommodation can be provided in other ways. If necessary, the Commissioners will be prepared to assist the Governors in raising any funds that may be necessary for the purpose. With regard to the attendance at the Middle Schools, I am directed to state that there is no authority in the scheme for allowing a scholar in the Middle School to remain in that school after having attained the age of 16. With respect to the system of student teachers, as practised in the Middle School for Boys, the Commissioners are not prepared to say, upon the evidence before them, that the scheme has been disregarded, but I have to urge upon the Governors the necessity of

EXERCISING SUCH A PROVISION

as will prevent the impression being entertained that boys who should otherwise be attending the Grammar School are retained as scholars at the Middle School for Boys, though nominally there in the capacity of student teachers. I am also to repeat the intimation conveyed in the Commissioners' letter of the 7th April, 1891, that every scholar attending any school who is residing with any person other than his parent, guardian, or near relation

SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A SPECIAL PERMISSION

from the Governors to be admitted to the school. Where such permission is given the Governors should satisfy themselves that proper accommodation is afforded to, and discipline is maintained over, the scholar. I am to add that a copy of this letter has been sent to Major-General Ferster for the information of the signatories of the memorial presented to the Commissioners in April last.

Several Boards of Guardians in the south of Kent are urging Mr. Shaw-Lefevre to order an inquiry into the treatment of vagrants by the various Boards of Guardians throughout the kingdom, with the view of some uniform system being arrived at. In some parts of Kent, at least, there is abundance of work at present, and a scarcity of labourers. The vagrant despises five shillings a day and beer when this payment is coupled with the condition of doing a fair day's work, and accordingly he passes unresponsively on to seek the friendly shelter of the tramps' quarters in the nearest workhouse. The sheltering of the vagrant, under such circumstances, is a misuse of the rates, even though the man's food and lodging are to some extent covered by enforced labour; but Boards of Guardians deal with such cases in so many different ways that the inquiry called for cannot fail to be of value. Unfortunately, legislation for adult indolence is as troublesome a matter as legislation for adult labour.

LUNACY IN THE METROPOLIS.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS.

Twelve months' statistics of London lunacy don't bear out the popular idea that brain work is particularly conducive to insanity, for among 4,000 patients in the metropolitan asylums there were only one author and one doctor. Is art brain work? If it is, we must add that there were one sculptor and two "artists"—of what kind is not stated. Monotony of occupation seems more injurious than mental effort, for 303 of the patients were labourers. But nothing to do is worst of all, 777 women and 162 men in the metropolitan asylums last year being "persons of no occupation." Thomas Carlyle would have triumphed grimly at this witness to his gospel of work. More than half of the 4,000 were women.

THE WAR IN THE EAST.

PROGRESS OF THE CONFLICT.

The O in the East is pursuing its strenuous course, says the *Pall Mall Gazette* yesterday. They tell us from Yokohama that the King of Korea shows every disposition to co-operate with the Japanese, and from Shanghai that much friction exists between them. The Chinese fleet has arrived at Wei Hai Wei, but nothing was seen of the enemy. This fact may be explained by the fact that the enemy is not there, being on the south coast of Korea. Admiral Sing (or Ting or Tsing) may take it from us as a very useful tactical maxim that if you want to see the enemy you should go where he is in sight. Another breathless courier announces that the Japanese army at Ping Yang is armed with very good rifles. And at last we hear why the long-lost great battle is long lost. It's the weather. The rain has made the roads too sticky for war, and the armies are waiting till they dry.

INDUCTION OF NEW VICAR OF BRAMFORD.

INTERESTING CEREMONY.

There was a crowded congregation at the Bramford parish church last evening to witness the unique ceremony—at Bramford at all events—of inducting a new rector of the parish. The late vicar (the Rev. H. E. T. Cruso) held the living for a period of twenty-five years, and having received preferment to a Tunstall (Kent) incumbency he is now succeeded by the Rev. R. V. Barker, of Lakenham, Norfolk. This gentleman was, last evening, inducted by mandate from the Bishop of Norwich by the Rev. G. R. Pooley, rector of Earl Stonham, rural dean, into the "real, actual and corporeal possession" of the churches of Bramford and Burstall. The Rural Dean afterwards delivered a suitable address

AN IPSWICH LADY DRAGGED ON THE ROAD.

PERILOUS DESCENT OF BISHOP'S HILL.

A startling accident occurred on Wednesday evening in the descent of Bishop's Hill. Mrs. Beard, wife of Mr. A. Beard, butcher, Princes Street, Ipswich, accompanied by three friends, was returning from Felixstowe in a four-wheel vehicle, driven by a man named John Willmott. Coming down Bishop's Hill the horse became unmanageable. Mrs. Beard appears to have become alarmed, and to have made an attempt to alight. Her dress got entangled and she was dragged a short distance, sustaining injuries about the head, and losing one or two teeth. The driver soon regained full control, and the other members of the party sustained no injury. Mrs. Beard was conveyed home and medical aid was procured.

BRAMFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

27TH ANNUAL SHOW.

This Society's 27th annual exhibition which was held yesterday, in conjunction with the Bramford Works horticultural show, fully maintained its reputation as a high-class village show, all the classes being well filled with exhibits of exceptional merit. The officials who ably discharged their respective duties were:—Judges, Messrs. Scales, Manor House, Sproughton, and Creek, the Chantry, Ipswich; hon. secretary, Mr. H. Mills; committee, Messrs. H. Giles, J. Hardwick, W. Smith, and C. Rush. The prize winners included:—Messrs. F. and W. Pryke, W. Smith, G. Garnham, R. Garrod, T. Scopes, H. G. Mills, J. Hardwick, T. Baker, E. Lay, A. Rumsey, W. Horricks, G. Rattle, G. C. Chittock, A. Giles, G. Dallinger, T. Ruffles, and H. Giles. Messrs. Packard and Co. offered special prizes for competition by their *employés*, and in this department of the show organised by Mr. Shipston the competition was exceedingly keen. The principal prize winners were:—Messrs. J. Francis, G. Giles, T. Scopes, R. Garrod, T. Baker, G. Keeble, G. Garnham, and G. Dallinger.

HORSE THROWN BY A DOG.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT NEAR SUDBURY.

WAGONETTE PARTY OVERTURNED.

A singular accident happened on Thursday afternoon, at Sudbury, to a party in a waggonette belonging to Alderman Mattingly. They were returning from Castle Hedingham, when within a few hundred yards of the town, near the Old Ballingdon Hall, a collie dog with the party ran between the legs of the horse, throwing it down. The waggonette swerved to the side of the road, and all the occupants were pitched into the road, Mrs. Mattingly being in a very dangerous situation under the vehicle. Fortunately help was near, and Mrs. Mattingly and the others were soon extricated from their unpleasant position. The waggonette turned completely over, the four wheels coming off, and shafts also broken. The horse, after releasing itself, dashed through Ballingdon Street, but it was stopped near the bridge by Mr. I. Bacon. Mrs. Mattingly sustained an injury to one of her arms, and the whole party were much shaken.

A REVENGEFUL LOVER

ATTEMPTS TO MURDER AN OLD SWEETHEART.

In the Liverpool Police Court, James Bradshaw, 41, a marine fireman, was charged with having attempted to murder Isabella Wilkinson, on the 18th ult. The prosecutrix appeared to be suffering from weakness, the result of the illtreatment she received, and was allowed to be seated in the witness-box. Her story was that she had promised to marry the prisoner five years ago. Two years ago she broke with him and accepted the overtures of another lover. On the morning of the 18th of August the prisoner asked her if it was true that she was going to marry a man named Buckley, and she said it was. They were then in her brother-in-law's house, 12, Chelmsford Street, and he put his arm round her neck and drew a razor across her neck and ear, cutting her severely. She had to be taken to the Stanley Hospital. The prisoner had been a well-conducted man, but he had been drinking for some weeks before this occurrence. He told some of his friends that he had done what he had been contemplating for some time.—Prisoner was committed for trial.

"CATCHING FLIES WHILE ASLEEP."

UNNEIGHBOURLY NEIGHBOURS AT IPSWICH.

ASSAULT ON A RECREATION GROUND KEEPER.

On Thursday at the Ipswich Police Court, Annie Tooley, wife of a stonemason, living in Chalon Street, was charged with assaulting Walter Banyard, of Metz Street, caretaker of the Recreation Ground. Complainant left home on Friday afternoon at two o'clock, when Mrs. Tooley asked him why he had assaulted her children when they went to the Recreation Ground. He told her that they had climbed the pear tree, and he should turn her off if she behaved in a like manner. Defendant then called him names, violently slapped his face, and threw a brickbat at him.—Complainant was then charged with assaulting Mrs. Tooley, who said that when she asked Banyard why he had interfered with her children he called her filthy names, and pushed her against the palings.—Cross-examined, complainant said, "I told you that you was

A LAZY OLD RASCAL,

sitting al day on a seat asleep, with your mouth open catching flies, and a policeman was sent down to wake you." (Laughter.) The Bench having consulted in private, the Chairman said they had decided that the case against Mrs. Tooley was proved, and she would be fined 10s. 6d., including costs; the case against Banyard would be dismissed.—John Tooley pleaded "guilty under provocation" to assaulting Banyard, and was further charged with using threats towards complainant. Defendant was fined 6s. and 14s. 6d. costs for the assault, and was bound over to keep the peace for six months, and ordered to pay the costs, 7s.

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